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Mr. Quinn

DIRECTOR

PHONE BREKID. WILL LEAVE TONIGHT FOR LITTLE ROCK ARRIVING TOMORROW  
WHERE AGENTS SULLIVAN AND MADALA NOW IN CHICAGO WILL JOIN ME  
TUESDAY MORNING THE TENTH. AGENTS WYNN, KITCHIN, DICKSTEIN, MURPHY,  
WILL CONTINUE AT TOLEDO AND CLEVELAND TO WORK OUT LEADS ON BENSON  
GROVE, MILTON LETT AND COLIN MUNRO, ALSO LINE UP WITNESSES WHO  
PLACE AMONG OTHERS ARTHUR HEBEBRAND DEFINIELY WITH SUBJECTS  
HARBORED. AGENT DILL WILL TEMPORARILY ~~RESUME~~ RESUME ACTIVE GENERAL  
ASSIGNMENT AT CLEVELAND PENDING PICK UPS PLANNED FOR LATTER PART  
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REFERENCE MIAMI SET UP AGENT ~~MC-MXX~~ S K MC KEE LEAVES CLEVELAND  
TONIGHT ARRIVING JACKSONVILLE TUESDAY MORNING WHERE I HAVE INSTRUCTED  
AGENT R T NOONAN TO JOIN HIM TUESDAY TO CARRY OUT WORK PLANNED IN MY LETTER OF AUGUST FOURTH.

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WILL LEAVE CLEVELAND NINE FORTY FIVE PM BIG FOUR TRAIN TWENTY  
SEVEN LOWER ONE CAR EIGHT NINE ARRIVE ST LOUIS SEVEN FIFTY AM  
MONDAY. LEAVE ST LOUIS EIGHT FIFTY FIVE AM MISSOURI PACIFIC  
CHAIR CAR ARRIVE LITTLE ROCK FIVE FORTY FIVE PM.

CONNELLEY

END



1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 11, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BANKID

While Agents of this office were talking to [redacted] at his place of business in Toledo, Ohio, with reference to other matters concerning this case, [redacted] stated that he had been told by Lucien C. "Ludy" Fleming, one of the subjects in this case, that Wayne Preston was one of the persons who robbed the mail truck at Warren, Ohio, in the spring of 1935, and that Preston was at the present time on the "lam" in Cuba.

[redacted] stated that Preston was a former Ohio State Prohibition Officer; that he does not know the exact time Preston served in this capacity, the duration of his service, or the reason for his discharge; that Preston served as a partner to "Ludy" Fleming in this work, with headquarters in Youngstown, Ohio, and that Preston and Fleming covered twenty-two counties in that vicinity.

[redacted] a woman by the name of Mildred Kuhlman were operating a bootleg joint several years ago when Fleming and Preston raided the place and arrested the two women; that at that time Preston fell in love with Mildred Kuhlman and stopped the "rap"; that Mildred then started living with Preston and remained with him until shortly after the sale of beer was legalized, in 1933, at which time Preston "got down and out" and Mildred left him. He stated that about a year ago Mildred got a letter from Preston in which Preston stated that he was going to "pull a job", which would net him about \$50,000 and if he was successful he would send for her, Mildred.

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[redacted] describes Wayne Preston as follows:

Height	-	5'10"
Weight	-	160 pounds
Age	-	About 40 years
Hair	-	Black, wears it slicked back.

Wart, well dressed and nice looking.

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It is requested that the records of the Department of Liquor Control at Columbus, Ohio, be checked to ascertain the date when Preston was employed as a State Prohibition Officer, his home address at that time, the names and addresses of his relatives, names of any clubs to which he might belong, the reason for his discharge from that service, and any other pertinent information with reference to Preston that might be contained in the records of that Department. It is also requested that a picture of Preston be obtained, if one is available, for the purpose of exhibiting it to the witnesses of the Warren, Ohio, mail truck robbery for possible identification.

It is suggested that Mr. E. S. Cullison, who is employed in the Department of Liquor Control at the present time, and who was also employed under the former administration, be interviewed for any personal information he may have with reference to Wayne Preston.

It is requested that this matter be given expeditious attention in view of the possibility that Preston might have been one of the participants in the Warren, Ohio, mail truck robbery in the spring of 1935.

Very truly yours,

HBD/EJB  
CC - Bureau  
- Chicago

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
"THE ATTORNEY GENERAL"  
AND REFER TO  
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 12, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR J. EDGAR HOOVER,  
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In reply to your memorandum of November 7, 1936,  
concerning the trial of Joe Adams and Henry "Duke"  
Randall set for February 15, 1937, at Miami, Florida, we  
wish to advise you that Mr. Walter L. Barlow will not  
try this case as originally planned. Another Special  
Assistant to the Attorney General will be designated within  
the next few days to prosecute this case.

Respectfully,

*Brien McMahon*  
BRIEN MCMAHON,  
Assistant Attorney General.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Beachman .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
Mr. Fox .....  
Mr. Glavin .....  
Mr. Ladd .....  
Mr. Nichols .....  
Mr. Quinn .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

*Edw. G. Brennan*

*McMahon - McMahon*  
*R. L. Luman*  
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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL BRIEN McMAHON

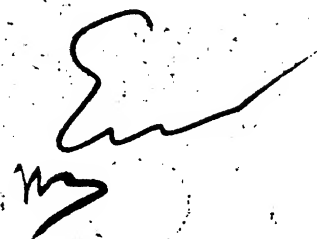
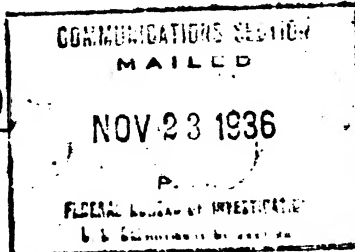
Reference is made to the memorandum dated November 12, 1936, in which you advise that Mr. Walter L. Barlow will not try the case against Joe Adams and Henry "Duke" Randall at Miami, Florida, on February 15, 1937. As you know, the facts of this case are rather involved and it is believed that a Special Assistant to the Attorney General should be designated to try this case at an early date.

I will be glad to have the Supervisor in the Bureau who is familiar with all the ramifications of the case discuss the same with the Special Assistant appointed.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Dawsey .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
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Mr. Schilder .....



P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
November 11, 1936

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RE: BREKID

Mrs. Blanche Lucas,  
Postmaster,  
Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Attention: Mr. L. R. Hankins,  
Assistant Postmaster.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm verbal request made by  
Special Agent D. R. Morley of this office on November 6,  
1936 of Assistant Postmaster L. R. Hankins that a cover be  
placed on the mail of

Arthur and Ruby Perkey.  
410 S. 2nd St.,  
Ponca City, Okla.,

for a period of thirty days, and tracings of the mail for-  
warded to this office.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this and other  
matters, I am

Very truly yours,

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DWIGHT BRANTLEY, 1936 A. M.
Special Agent in Charge
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 4, 1936

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: MIAMI, FLORIDA

Dear Sir:

With reference to my letter today in regard to Brekid, and travel of agents S. K. McKee and R. T. Noonan, the present plan of operation will be as follows:

At Miami, it is planned, unless advised to the contrary, to have agent McKee get at least two rooms in some private space for offices and telephones (one regular line and one for Washington unlisted). In order to give this office the appearance of being connected with the Jacksonville office and as being engaged in the conduct of the regular investigative work of the Bureau, it is planned to have the Resident Agents make their headquarters also at these offices. Also, in order that Agent McKee may be familiar with what is going on in the district, all serials as to cases and reports submitted will be routed through him so he will be able, if necessary, to give any instructions or suggestions necessary consistent with any plan of action we may then have in mind. This will be discussed thoroughly with Agent McKee and he will consult with S.A.C. Nathan at Jacksonville as to when we will want to put this plan in operation. This will apply to all work in the southern district or section of Florida and from time to time anything which may come up in other parts of the state which may be of value to our inquiry in Miami, will also be routed to Mr. McKee by Mr. Nathan or the Jacksonville office.

Mr. McKee, in my absence, will be in charge of the work, which is to be carried on in the district by the men on special assignment, and he will keep the Bureau advised of his operations at all times. He will not be subject to the direction of the Special Agent in Charge at Jacksonville, but will be in touch with the latter at all times in order to take advantage of anything which may develop in other classes of cases in the best interest of the inquiry at Miami.

W.R. G. Keavin  
Re: Nathan  
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The preliminary work here will be to ascertain "who is who" in political and police circles and who the main hoodlums, etc. are who will be the subject of the inquiry, with particular emphasis, at present, as to the racketeers who come in each season and who are undoubtedly responsible for the major operations.

We will give attention to the W. S. T. A. possibilities and N. S. P. A. with all others which may come up as well as any corruption which, in conspiracy, permits and makes possible such violations of the Federal laws.

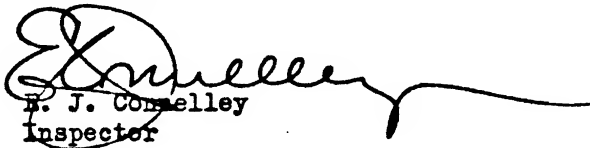
It is planned to ask Chicago, Cleveland, Philadelphia, New York and possibly others to ascertain by appropriate inquiry through their files, police, et al, just what outstanding crooks, racketeers and others of similar stripe go to Miami and Miami Beach and other points in Florida each winter, as well as the officers of the above cities who go to Miami to check on the activities of these individuals, and what hotels these officers frequent under courtesy arrangements for the protection they supposedly give, or where they otherwise live. We will try to get pictures of the subjects in a discreet manner as well as information as to where they stop in Miami and other places for the winter and we will supplement this with information in Florida as to just what they do and what projects they control in Florida. We will try to line up their contacts in Florida, both the local officials and the crooks, who are associated with them and what tribute, if any, they exact from the community.

I will advise you later as to when Agent S. K. McKee will arrive in Florida for this work.

The regular investigative work will be handled by the Jacksonville office and the Jacksonville office will be entirely responsible for such class of work.

The matter of furniture and other equipment necessary will be handled in conjunction with the Jacksonville office and appropriate authority obtained from the Bureau as to any purchases or rentals paid.

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. Connelley  
Inspector

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cc-Cincinnati  
Jacksonville by delivery  
Personal & Confidential  
through Agent S. K. McKee

November 11, 1936

7-576-13266

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ROSE CURREN; KATE BECKER;  
C. J. PETERSEN, Victim;  
Extortion.

Dear Sirs

On November 5, 1936 Mrs. C. J. Petersen, 300 South Oak Park Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois called at the Bureau and advised that she and her husband had been receiving threats from Rose Curren and Kate Becker, these latter two individuals being half sisters of Mrs. Petersen.

Mrs. Petersen advised that for thirteen years she supported her stepmother, Mrs. Catherine Glatzel, and that recently Mrs. Glatzel went to the home of her daughter, Rose Curren with whom she is now residing. Mrs. Petersen advised that Rose Curren and Kate Becker have been co-mingling with her and her husband, Mr. C. J. Petersen, demanding that the Petersens continue the support of Mrs. Glatzel or pay to Rose Curren and Kate Becker the sum of \$600, the original sum demanded being \$1,000; that Rose Curren and Kate Becker threatened her over the telephone stating that if she did not comply with this demand they would give her a "wooden kimono", indicating that they would kill Mrs. Petersen and her husband. She advised that similar threats were made to Mr. Petersen.

She furnished further information that under date of September 21, 1936 Kate Becker addressed a letter to Mr. Charles Petersen which stated, "I am going to warn you just once. I am not looking for trouble. If you don't quit telling Frank Becker a lot of lies about me, I won't be responsible what I do (signed) Mrs. Kate Becker 724 N. State St."

Mrs. Petersen, by way of explanation stated that Rose Curren lives with Eddie McFadden, 249 North California Avenue, Chicago, Illinois and also has a rooming house at 174 North Leamington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; that Eddie McFadden is identical with an individual

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by the same name who was involved with the Touhy gang in the kidnaping of Jake Factor. She stated that Kate Becker who resided at 714 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois lives with one Frank Becker at that address, and it is this Frank Becker who is referred to in the letter received by Mr. Petersen. It is believed that Frank Becker is identical with the Frank Becker who was used by your office as an informant in connection with the Bureau's efforts to locate Dr. Joseph P. Moran who was wanted in connection with the Bremer kidnaping. Mrs. Petersen stated that she and her husband, due to the connections and reputations of Eddie McFadden, Rose Curren and Kate Becker, are in fear of their lives.

Mrs. Petersen further advised that her husband is employed in the Billing Department of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Chicago, Illinois and has a record of all the telephone calls received by him from Kate Becker and Rose Curren. She stated further that Rose Curren claims Dr. Joseph P. Moran is not dead and indicated that she possibly knows the present whereabouts of Dr. Moran; and further that Rose Curren knows the location of the hideout in which Jake Factor was held after being removed by his kidnapers from the residence in Glenview, Illinois.

Photostatic copies of the letter said to have been received by Mr. Charles Petersen, together with photostats of the envelope postmarked Chicago, Illinois, September 21, 1936 are being transmitted herewith, and it is requested that you discuss with the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois whether the letter in question, coupled with the telephone threats, constitutes a violation of the Extortion Statute. The telephone calls in question, according to Mrs. Petersen, were not transmitted in interstate commerce.

Rose Curren and Kate Becker should be interviewed concerning Dr. Joseph P. Moran and also concerning the location of the Factor hideout, but in the event the United States Attorney at Chicago declines prosecution relative to the transmittal of the threatening letter to Mr. Petersen, the name of Mrs. Petersen should not be mentioned to Rose Curren and Kate Becker as having furnished the information concerning Dr. Moran and the Factor hideout. If prosecution is authorized, of course it will be necessary that Kate Becker be thoroughly interviewed in connection with the letter she is alleged to have written to Mr. Petersen.

Copies of a memorandum prepared by Mrs. Petersen at Washington, D. C. dated November 5, 1936 are also transmitted herewith.

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Mrs. Petersen stated that she was returning to her home in Oak Park, Illinois in the next few days and would be available at that place if further interview with her was desired.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure 1105174

Washington, D. C. Nov. 5, 1936.

Rose Curren, also goes under the name of Rose Glatzel, or Mrs. Rose, and Mrs. Eddie McFadden. He lives at her home. He is the only one left of the Touhy Gang, that was arrested in Minnesota. In Rose Curren's home was one of the hiding places for the gang and May Banghart came from the South, which was one of her hiding places with Basel Banghart. She stayed there until she and Banghart rented an apartment at Center Street and Washington Street, Park Ridge, Illinois. Basel and May lived there while he did his flying for the gang. He kept his plane at Turgeon's Airport in Park Ridge, Illinois.

Rose Curren has bragged about the morning after when Factor was kidnaped. She said, "Well, the old boy won't get out of fake kidnapping this time, as the Touhy Gang have him this time and he will pay. She also worried about Eddie McFadden, as he was out of town at the time. If he would come home and when he did come home, she said, he was crazy just like Sharkey. She told her sister Kate all she would need to do is to blow his brains off, so Kate said "How would you get away with it?" "Oh, that is easy; the cops would think that the Gang got him." Kate and Rose go to taverns dead drunk and fight and tell everything they know. Kate also called McFadden a squealer. That was why he went free, and she has threatened to have their place raided, as they are in the dope business.

Rose was the driver for the gang at times and at Glen View, Illinois, where Factor was held at one time. Before Banghart got in the Factor trouble he and his girl friend, May, would come to Rose Curren's home in new cars, then he would leave them there to be repainted, and then he and May would leave. Also when Banghart escaped from a prison in the South, he killed a guard; he also came there in a new car, and had it repainted. This May lived at Rose Curren's home till she and Banghart went to live in Park Ridge, Illinois. They also had rented a bungalow on the outskirts of Park Ridge.

Mrs. Curren also says that Doc Moran is not dead. He is very much alive, and she says he also is a coke fiend, and if the basement at 174 North Leamington Avenue will be looked over, or 249 North California Avenue, something will probably be found in either one of these places. She is part owner of 174 Leamington.

Mrs. Emma Culnan used to get the mail at her address for Eddie McFadden and she also used to be with the Gang. She can tell plenty. She would drive Kator home after they had had an evening of cards at Rose Curren's home. Rose Curren also signed bonds for Tommy Touhy before he was taken back to St. Paul, Minnesota, and was sentenced.

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Rose Curren also dealt in stolen cars. When she had a baker shop at California Avenue and Lake Street, one car was turned over to Emma Culnan and another to Mr. Romano at 246 Fairfield Avenue, just across the alley of Rose Curran's home. He did not pay her for the car. She had an extra key and went over to his home and took the car back. She also brags about killing her husband, that it was the opportune time to do it. Her husband was James Curren, a Chicago policeman.

When she smokes this coke and drinks, she and her sister Kate go crazy. They call me up out of bed at 2 and 3 in the morning and call me vile names, that I had to have my phone taken out. I have taken care of their invalid mother for 13 years. This is how they thank me.

Rose Curren and May Banghart knew all about the Joliet Jail Break. This May was there to meet Basil Banghart, and if he had not got shot, she would have met him there. Instead, she went with his pal, who did get away. She now is in prison.

Rose Curren also has address at 714 North State Street, Chicago, with her sister Kate Glatzel, also known as Kay Becker.

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
November 11, 1936

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent John R. Welles, dated at Oklahoma City November 11, 1936, wherein the advisability of interviewing Fred Hunter for information concerning the hideout in southern Oklahoma is mentioned. It will be noted that the statement of Brock, set forth in the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Cleveland October 20, 1936, shows that Hunter was taken to this hideout by either George H. "Burrhead" Keady or his wife, Dovey Keady, and that Campbell and Karpis were met at that point.

This office is not in possession of information indicating where Hunter is presently incarcerated. Providing the Bureau considers an interview with Hunter appropriate, kindly cause same to be had.

Very truly yours,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Cincinnati  
Cleveland

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-36

REPORT MADE AT Okla. City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE 11/11/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/2 to 9/36	REPORT MADE BY John R. Welles
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; National Firearms Act.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Howard Allen, Guy Thompson or Ollie Orsendorf, owners of Greyhound dogs, may be person who harbored fugitives on farm between Tulsa and Sapulpa, Okla.; Orsendorf most likely suspect. Descriptions of these persons and residences set out for possible reinterview with Brock. Dovey Keady claims first met Coker week after his release in Sept., 1935. Coker frequent visitor at her house until middle of Feb., 1936. Dovey denies knowing Hunter, Lett, Campbell and Karpis, but does know Brock; claims George Hill, P. O. Inspector, gave her \$2,000, and retained \$1280 of money Keady left with George Hereford. Keady presently working Hubb Bar, Dallas, Texas; was formerly associated with Ollie Orsendorf, a Greyhound breeder. Dovey has brother, Lucius Hatfield, living at Hydro, Okla. She denies taking any man or men to southern Okla. during spring of 1935 or meeting Coker in Okla. City after his release. Contact of Keady in southern Okla. not determined. No evidence that Sam Coker knew Harry Campbell prior to Coker's parole from Okla. State Pen. Sept., 1935. Milton Lett may have relatives Des Moines, Iowa and Los Angeles, Calif. Arthur Perkey, Ponca City, Okla., relative of Lett, being contacted by informant.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin, Cleveland, 9/8/36. Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, 10/20/36. Letters from Cleveland 10/27/36 and 10/30/36.</p>			
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**DETAILS:**

On November 2, 1936 Earl Gardner of the Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department was asked whether he had ever heard of George H. "Burrhead" Keady associating with a person in the vicinity of Tulsa who raised and raced Greyhound dogs. Mr. Gardner said dog races were held in Tulsa several years ago, and that Keady probably knew most of the breeders and racers. Mr. Gardner was not told the reason for this inquiry, but he volunteered the information that Guy Thompson, a friend of Keady and Harry Campbell, owned and raced Greyhounds. In 1933 Thompson's home on Cincinnati Street in Tulsa was raided by the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office on a tip that Harry Campbell and Glen Leroy Wright were there. Mr. Gardner said the officers found clothes and other articles belonging to Campbell and Wright in the house, but did not apprehend these men. A still was found in the house, and Thompson was sentenced to six months for violation of the liquor laws. Mr. Gardner advised that Thompson has not been in Tulsa very much in recent years, and believes that he spends the entire year following the dog races throughout the United States.

Thompson was arrested at Tulsa, Oklahoma April 25, 1935, and the Oklahoma City files contain a report of former Special Agent Paul Hansen, dated at Oklahoma City May 14, 1935, entitled Isaac Taylor Robinette, with alias, Fugitive; Mitchell Pilgrim, with alias, Fugitive; Guy Thompson; Glen Bartlett; Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Pittsburgh origin; which covers Thompson's arrest. Thompson was released, and the report shows that he had been in Florida during March, 1935 and April, 1935, up to the time of his arrest. This would tend to eliminate Thompson as the person who harbored Hunter, Campbell, Brock and Karpis, as mentioned in Brock's statement, but in view of the fact that Thompson did associate with some of these persons, several of his police photographs were obtained, and two are being forwarded to the Cleveland office for possible future reference and presentation to Brock.

Inquiry at the various gasoline stations and stores on the Tulsa to Sapulpa highway, as well as of the Postmaster, Mr. A. H. Duescher, Oakhurst, Oklahoma, a town just half way between Tulsa and Sapulpa, developed that there are presently three men raising and racing Greyhounds, who were in that vicinity during the spring of 1935. These men are Warren Patrick, Howard Allen and Ollie Orsendorf. No other persons are known to have been in this business in that vicinity during 1935.

As Warren Patrick operates a large filling station on the edge of Tulsa, and does not have a farm, inquiry was made of Captain R. F. Cowan, Tulsa Police Department, concerning the reliability and reputation of Patrick. Captain Cowan advised he knows Patrick very well, and that Patrick is absolutely

trustworthy. Captain Cowan arranged for Patrick to be interviewed by the writer. Warren Patrick on November 3, 1936 said that there are only two men in that section besides himself who raise and race Greyhound dogs. These two men are Howard Allen and Ollie Orsendorf. To his knowledge no other persons were in that business between Tulsa and Sapulpa during 1935. Orsendorf lives about one mile off the Tulsa to Sapulpa highway in an easterly direction four miles south of Tulsa and ten miles north of Sapulpa. Allen lives in the town of Oakhurst, which is a very small village on the Tulsa-Sapulpa highway half way between the two towns. According to Patrick, both Allen and Orsendorf were at their homes during the spring of 1935, both have been hard up in recent years, and neither has a very good reputation.

Records of the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office and the Tulsa Police Department fail to reveal any arrest record for either Allen or Orsendorf.

Captain Cowan was asked whether he knows either Allen or Orsendorf, and he said he did not know either personally, but he had heard a lot about Orsendorf, and none of it was good. As will be noted later, when asked if "Burrhead" Keady had any friends in the dog racing game, Dovey Keady knew only one and that was Orsendorf. It would, therefore, appear that Orsendorf is the person most likely to have harbored fugitives at Keady's request.

Descriptions of Thompson, Allen and Orsendorf, as obtained from police records and inquiry of Warren Patrick, are as follows:

Name - GUY THOMPSON  
Age - 36 Born May 14, 1900 Bartlesville, Okla.  
Height - 6', 1 1/2"  
Weight - 156  
Build - Slender  
Eyes - Blue  
Hair - Dark brown, curly.  
Complexion - Medium  
Teeth - Bad  
Occupation - Dog track follower  
Relatives - Wife, Thelma, address unknown.  
Father, J. E. Thompson, Kiefer, Okla.  
Brother, B. C. Thompson, Kiefer, Okla.

Name - HOWARD ALLEN  
Age - 40  
Height - 5', 9"  
Weight - 150



Eyes - Gray  
Hair - Black; graying.  
Complexion - Light  
Nationality - Irish

Name - OLLIE ORSENDORF  
Age - 55  
Height - 5', 11"  
Weight - 200  
Build - Heavy  
Eyes - Blue  
Hair - Gray  
Complexion - Light  
Smooth face.  
Blustering type of person.

It was rather definitely ascertained that Thompson did not reside on a farm between Tulsa and Sapulpa during 1935.

Howard Allen now lives, and did live in 1935, at Oakhurst, Oklahoma half way between Tulsa and Sapulpa. His house is the only one in the block, and there is a dog fence around this entire block, which apparently is owned by Allen. The house is three blocks and up a hill from the main highway. It is a one story building of about five rooms, and is painted white with green trimming. It is necessary to open a wire gate to enter the yard or to drive a car into the one car garage which is at the southeast corner of the house. There are two steps leading on to a wooden front porch, which is across the entire north side or front of the house. Water for the place is supplied by a gasoline pump in the back yard.

The residence of Ollie Orsendorf is reached by going south from Tulsa on the Sapulpa road about four miles, and turning left or east on the first macadam road just after passing a large amusement park. This road is followed for about one mile to a gasoline station where a left turn is made. Orsendorf's house is on the east side of this road about one-quarter of a mile from the gasoline station. The house is of wood frame construction, and is painted yellow. It appears to have about five rooms. There is a front porch on the house which faces west. In order to get to this house, it is necessary to go through a wire gate and drive about one-quarter of a mile through a grove of numerous trees. Orsendorf's land appears to be about ten acres, all of which is fenced in with

wire which dogs can not get through. This house was viewed from the highway, and because of the many trees and the fact that the house is so far from the road, it is very hard to see the place without entering the property.

Dovey Keady was interviewed at her home, 230 East Kyler Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and she said she first met Sam Coker about one week after his release from the penitentiary, at which time "Burrhead" Keady, her husband, brought Coker to their home. This was about the middle of September, 1935. Covey's statement is apparently untrue, as is her additional statement that she does not know many of "Burrhead's" friends. She said she knew that most of his friends were continually having trouble with the law. According to Dovey, "Burrhead" and Coker drank most of the time when Coker was in town. Coker visited their home for a night or two at least once a month from the middle of September, 1935 until the middle of February, 1936, at which latter time Dovey claims she chased them both out of the house and told Coker not to return. She claims not to have seen Coker since that time, and that she was not in Oklahoma City and did not drive Coker to Tulsa following his release; in fact, she claims not to have known he was in the penitentiary until he or "Burrhead" told her, after Coker came to her house. Dovey said Coker made out his parole report papers at her house, and on one occasion wanted to leave a blank with her and have her fill it out and send it in at the proper time, but she refused to do this. She claims Coker never told her where he was going when he left town, and she has no idea where he did go. Dovey said she couldn't understand why Coker was in trouble, as a Deputy Sheriff from Nowata, where Coker's sister lives, told her Coker has an income of \$400.00 a month, which ought to be enough for him. She said Coker had \$1800.00 with him following his release, and she understood the prison authorities had been holding it for him. According to Dovey, Coker always seemed to have plenty of money. Dovey was asked if among "Burrhead's" numerous friends there is one who owns and races Greyhound dogs. She said that the only person she knows is Ollie Orsendorf, and that at one time "Burrhead" may have had an interest in the dogs with Orsendorf. She doesn't know where Orsendorf is at the present time or whether he is still racing dogs. She claims it was several years ago that "Burrhead" associated with Orsendorf, this being before the Tulsa dog track was closed. Dovey said that Post Office Inspector George Hill of Tulsa got the money which "Burrhead" left with George Hereford, and that Mr. Hill subsequently gave her \$2,000.00, all of which she spent in employing lawyers to get "Burrhead" out of trouble. She claims that Mr. Hill still has \$1280.00 of the money which belongs to "Burrhead." Dovey said she inherited some money from her mother in 1929 and 1932 and loaned it to "Burrhead." "Burrhead" ordered Mr. Hill to pay her the \$2,000 toward this loan. She said she had no idea where "Burrhead" got the money, but claimed it was not unusual for him to have that much cash around, and in good times she remembers "Burrhead" making as high as \$9,000.00 in twenty-four hours gambling.

Dovey said George Hill came to her house in May, 1936, and showed her pictures of Fred Hunter, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, Milton Lett and John Brock, and the only one of these persons she knew was Brock, who at one time worked for her husband at the Lincoln Bar in Tulsa. She understands Brock has

been arrested, but she does not know what for. She claims never to have driven any of these men, other than Brock, anywhere in an automobile. Dovey has a brother named Lucius Hatfield living at Hydro, Oklahoma, but she never took any man or men, other than "Burrhead" there. If "Burrhead" has friends in southern Oklahoma they are unknown to Dovey.

Dovey said she sees Dutch Bowman quite often, and Dutch is working for \$2.00 a day at the Brownstone Club, Tulsa, Oklahoma. "Burrhead" Keady is tending bar at the Hubb Bar in Dallas, Texas. "Burrhead" recently sent Dovey \$40.00.

Dovey Keady is a very willing talker, but talks slowly, and considers her answers before making them. She appears to be fairly well educated. It is believed that following an interview with "Burrhead" Keady and further developments concerning places where fugitives were harbored in southern Oklahoma, Dovey Keady should be reinterviewed. To date she apparently does not know that Brock has made a statement.

Concerning the association between Sam Coker and Harry Campbell prior to Coker's release from Oklahoma State Penitentiary in September, 1935, on November 4, 1936 Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantly and Special Agent L. B. Reed discussed this matter at length with Mr. A. B. Cooper of Oklahoma City who is and has been very familiar with the activities and associations of well known criminals in the Oklahoma City district. Mr. Cooper conferred at length with Ray Terrill, notorious Oklahoma bank robber who has been at Oklahoma State Penitentiary for approximately ten years and was released September 25, 1936. Terrill is astute, clever and knows the Oklahoma underworld even though he has been in the penitentiary.

A. B. Cooper has Terrill's confidence, and it is believed Terrill would not mislead Cooper. Terrill told Cooper he knows Coker well, as they were in the penitentiary together for several years, worked in the canteen together, and discussed many things. Terrill said Coker told him of his association with Doc Barker and that Joe Howard, Alvin Karpis and Doc Barker during 1931 were associated with Coker at a time when Coker was on parole. These four were arrested in Tulsa for a jewelry robbery at Henryetta, Oklahoma, and Coker was returned to McAlester, where he remained from June 19, 1931 until September 3, 1935. Terrill said Coker never mentioned any association with Campbell or having been on any jobs with Campbell at that time. Campbell and Glenn LeRoy Wright of Tulsa, an Oklahoma outlaw now serving fifty years at McAlester, ran together. Campbell was considered an oil field petty thief, and it is well known in the underworld that Campbell did not become associated with Karpis and the Barkers until about 1933. Terrill said Coker had no association or acquaintance with Campbell until Coker's release from the penitentiary in 1935. Terrill was with Coker, and talked with him after Coker was

was returned to Oklahoma State Penitentiary from Ohio, but Coker made no mention of any jobs participated in by Campbell and Coker since the latter's release in 1935.

Mr. Cooper told Special Agent Reed that he knows the past life of Sam Coker as well as anybody who has been engaged in law enforcement. Cooper said he, accompanied by some Deputy Sheriffs, arrested Coker, Buster Jarrett and Joe Bradley alias Jack Frost for the robbery of the Shidler, Oklahoma bank a number of years ago. Jarrett is now at McAlester serving a twenty-five year sentence for bank robbery. Bradley was sent to Oklahoma State Penitentiary for killing a policeman at Drumright following a bank robbery. Bradley was never tried on the bank robbery charge. Cooper said definitely that Buster Jarrett, Sam Coker and Joe Bradley were pals and running mates at that time. He recalls definitely that Coker, Jarrett and Bradley held up Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gaddis at Bartlesville in 1921 or 1922, but Coker was not tried for that offense because he was convicted of the Shidler bank robbery. Cooper said Coker was not guilty of robbing this bank, as was found out later. According to Cooper, the robbery of the Shidler bank was an inside and framed job, and it was learned that the banker was guilty, and he was subsequently tried and convicted. Cooper said he knows definitely and without fear of contradiction that Sam Coker did not know and had no association with the Barker-Karpis gang, including Harry Campbell, until Coker got out of McAlester; that Coker did associate with Doc Barker and Karpis around Coffeyville, Kansas after Coker got out of McAlester in 1931. Cooper said he knows it to be a fact that Coker was let out of McAlester to work as an informant to catch Campbell and Karpis. Mr. Cooper claimed that Campbell and Glenn LeRoy Wright were "chicken thief" criminals around Tulsa, Oklahoma and vicinity. Doc Barker and Sam Coker had become acquainted at McAlester. In this connection, the criminal record of Coker shows that he was received March 17, 1924 to serve thirty years for bank robbery and was paroled January 11, 1931. Doc Barker as Bob Barker was received at McAlester January 30, 1921 for safe keeping, charge bank robbery, and discharged June 11, 1921. Doc Barker was again received at McAlester February 10, 1922 for conviction of murder to serve a life sentence, and was paroled September 10, 1932. Cooper said it is well known to him and all law enforcement officers in Oklahoma who have followed the careers of the Barkers, Campbell, Coker and others that the association of Doc Barker and Campbell began with their acquaintanceship at McAlester. Campbell said that when Doc got out of McAlester naturally Doc and Fred Barker got together. Having become acquainted with Coker at McAlester, Doc introduced Coker to Fred Barker. Alvin Karpis was brought into the vicinity of Coffeyville and Tulsa by Fred Barker, and at that time met Coker. This was after Coker's parole from McAlester in 1931.

Cooper said Harry Campbell was a petty thief, and graduated to bigger crimes when he was taken in by Fred Barker, Doc Barker and Alvin Karpis. Cooper is positive Sam Coker never knew Harry Campbell or associated with Campbell in Oklahoma. Cooper said this was well known to the police at Tulsa

and the Sheriffs and police in the surrounding counties. However, the officers can only state this to be their knowledge, and have no way of proving it.

Attention is called to the fact that Coker was received at McAlester in March, 1924 and paroled in January, 1931; was returned to McAlester in June, 1931, and again paroled in September, 1935. He was next returned to McAlester May 9, 1936. The criminal record of Harry Campbell, as reflected by I. O. 1236, shows he was arrested at Tulsa, #1846, December 25, 1920 for investigation and fined \$19.00. He was received at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, #11056, January 30, 1921 for bank robbery, and held for safe keeping. He was discharged June 11, 1921. He was arrested by the Sheriff at Tulsa April 29, 1932 on a charge of burglary, and released on bond.

Mr. Cooper suggested that in line with the above, Mr. Lew Gaston, Chief Special Agent of the Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, be interviewed. Mr. Gaston was formerly Chief of Police at Bartlesville.

On November 5, 1936 Mr. Lew Gaston was interviewed at Bartlesville, Oklahoma, and said that he knew of no association whatsoever between Sam Coker and Harry Campbell prior to Coker being convicted of bank robbery in 1924. In order to refresh his memory Mr. Gaston called in Mr. J. C. Tucker, who worked for Mr. Gaston at the time he was Chief of Police, and who later became Sheriff at Bartlesville. From Mr. Gaston and Mr. Tucker it was ascertained that Coker first became known as being connected with Oklahoma outlaws through Coker having carried supplies and given protection to Jess D. Paul alias Big Boy Berry, presently serving time at McAlester; Henry Wells, a former bank robber who now resides at Okesa, Oklahoma; Nick LaMarr, who was sentenced to twenty-five years in the Arkansas Penitentiary; Al Spencer, who was killed by officers; Dick Gregg, who was killed by officers; and Dan Daniels, who was killed in the Canon City, Colorado jail break, and who formerly lived around Nowata, Oklahoma. These men believed that Coker's sister was aiding the criminals; that Coker got to know them, but that he never actually participated in any of their jobs. Neither of these men had ever heard of Harry Campbell until the recent publicity on kidnaping cases. They were practically certain that he was not associated with Sam Coker prior to Coker's conviction on a bank robbery charge, which robbery was not committed by Sam Coker. Both stated that it has subsequently been ascertained that Dick Gregg and a man named Falkenberg were the persons who robbed this bank; that Gregg later killed Falkenberg in a dispute over a division of the spoils, and that subsequently in a gun battle Gregg was killed, as were two officers who were trying to apprehend him.

On November 5, 1936 Mr. Earl Gardner, who has been connected with

the Tulsa Police Department since prior to 1922 and knows the history of criminals whose names have arisen in this case, stated positively that he knew Harry Campbell and Sam Coker had never been associated prior to Coker's release from McAlester Penitentiary in 1935. Mr. Gardner's theory is that "Burrhead" Keady, who went to McAlester and got Coker, and according to Brock's statement arranged for Coker's release, got Coker out of the penitentiary in order that he might share in the income which Coker enjoys and also to place Coker with the Karpis-Barker gang, so that Keady would be able to obtain a split in any money obtained. Mr. Gardner said that Keady for a great number of years has followed the practice of aiding criminals in their activities and collecting from their spoils, but keeping outside the picture himself, thereby avoiding arrest and conviction in connection with their crimes. Coker is part Indian, and is an habitual drunkard and gambler. He is considered as having been entirely under Keady's control since leaving the penitentiary.

Mr. T. L. Pace, 235 N. Oak Street, Nowata, Oklahoma, the home town of Coker, was a Deputy Sheriff at Nowata prior to 1924. Mr. Pace has known Coker all of his life, but had never heard of him being associated with Harry Campbell, and in fact, Mr. Pace had never heard of Campbell until the recent publicity on kidnaping cases. Mr. Pace said that Coker was continually getting in trouble around Nowata prior to 1924 due to heavy drinking and gambling. He said that all the Coker family had too much money for their own good. He advised that in about 1921 Sam Coker received a check for \$1,000.00 from Charles Burdon in a gambling game at Nowata, Oklahoma. Coker later went to Burdon's place to collect on the check, and in the ensuing argument Burdon shot Coker in the mouth with a .38 revolver. Subsequently in 1922 Coker shot and killed a man in a gambling game argument, for which offense Coker was tried and acquitted. Mr. Pace suggested that in line with the above Mr. Buck George, who was night officer at Nowata around 1924 and previous thereto, should be interviewed.

Mr. Buck George, Nowata, Oklahoma, has known all of the Coker family since they were children. He knows Sam Coker to have been an habitual drunkard and gambler and hanger on with numerous bank robbers who occasionally visited in the Nowata vicinity. He stated Coker's brother, Lem Coker, was killed by an officer named Lemons at Nowata about 1920; that it was always considered as a murder, and Lemons subsequently left Nowata, was convicted of some crime, and was killed or died in jail. Shortly after this Sam Coker killed a colored man at Nowata, for which he was never tried. In 1922 Coker killed a man in a gambling game, for which offense he was tried and acquitted, his attorney being a man named Tillman. In 1924 when Coker and Buster Jarrett were accused of robbing the bank at Shidler, Oklahoma, this same attorney demanded \$12,000.00 for defending them, and threatened to see that they were convicted if they did not employ him. Neither Coker nor Jarrett was guilty of this robbery, but they were convicted and sent to McAlester Penitentiary for

long terms. Mr. George claims that all of Coker's recent trouble was due to his heavy drinking and association with "Burrhead" Keady. It was his opinion that Keady obtained Coker's release for the sole purpose of helping Coker spend his income and getting Coker placed with criminals, in order that he, Keady, might cut in on any loot. A man named Frank Palmer married Coker's sister. This man is a gambler, and is supposed to have a police record. His last known address was Toledo, Ohio. Mr. George was positive that Sam Coker never knew Harry Campbell, and believes that "Burrhead" Keady sent Coker to either Campbell or Karpis in Ohio.

Buster Jarrett, #14022, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, was interviewed on November 9, 1936, and advised that he was intimately associated with Sam Coker both before and after their conviction for robbery of the bank at Shidler, Oklahoma. Jarrett said that he was positive that Coker did not know Harry Campbell at that time, and in fact he, Jarrett, had never heard of Campbell until the recent publicity concerning kidnaping cases.

Floyd Jarrett, #21339, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, a brother of Buster Jarrett, advised that he lived around Nowata, Oklahoma prior to his incarceration in the penitentiary, and that he knew Sam Coker especially well. He was positive that Coker, with whom he had associated in the penitentiary, did not meet Harry Campbell until after Coker's release in September, 1935.

Glenn LeRoy Wright, #29585, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, said that he participated in crimes with Harry Campbell during 1920 and 1921, and that Campbell immediately after getting out of Oklahoma State Penitentiary in 1921 went to Casper Wyoming and worked in the oil fields. At that time neither Wright nor Campbell knew Sam Coker. According to Wright, Campbell worked at Casper, Wyoming, using his correct name, until late in the year 1931. Campbell was at Casper at the time Coker was out on parole from January, 1931 to June, 1931. Wright became well acquainted with Coker in the penitentiary. Wright was released early in 1932, and following his release he again associated with Harry Campbell and they committed numerous crimes together. They went to Casper, Wyoming for the purpose of committing crimes, but when Wright found out that Campbell was known to too many people in Casper by his right name he refused to stay in that section of the country with Campbell. During 1932 and up until the time of his arrest in 1933, Wright is positive that Campbell did not know Coker, and he is certain that Coker met Campbell through "Burrhead" Keady of Tulsa following Coker's release in 1935. Wright is very antagonistic toward Keady, and claims that Keady for no good reason has been "cut in" on practically every job occurring around Tulsa for many years. Wright said that if he had any information concerning places where Keady might hide out criminals, he would not divulge the information, but he did state positively that he knows of no place where Keady has connections south of Muskogee, Oklahoma. Wright said that it was general knowledge in the penitentiary that both Keady and Brock had made statements involving Fred Hunter, and therefore



the convicts had no use for them. Wright was given the impression that Keady had made a statement, in order that he and other convicts might continue to be antagonistic toward Keady and divulge the location in southern Oklahoma where Keady took Hunter to Campbell and Karpis.

Charles Davis, #31276, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, who was sentenced to serve eight years for harboring Glenn LeRoy Wright and Harry Campbell, said that he has known Sam Coker for fifteen years, and that to his knowledge Coker was never associated with Campbell or Wright, and during his time in the penitentiary he has never heard Sam Coker speak of knowing Campbell.

Mr. Jess Dunn, Assistant Warden, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, was asked whether he knew of any convict who might have knowledge of "Burrhead" Keady's contacts, or might be in a position to get this information. He suggested that the writer talk to Tom Antone, #18728, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, as this man was well acquainted around Tulsa, and had previously given him, Mr. Dunn, valuable information.

Antone said that he has known "Burrhead" Keady for a great many years; that Keady gets a cut on practically every job that is pulled around Tulsa, and that he has no use for Keady. Antone appeared especially anxious to please Mr. Dunn, and it was suggested to him that he associate with and question the various other convicts, including Sam Coker, with the idea of developing the location of a hideout in southern Oklahoma established by "Burrhead" Keady. Antone said that prior to his conviction and sentence in 1927 he knew that Keady had a hideout for criminals at Denison, Texas. He did not know whether Keady still had contacts there, but believed that some of the older officers at Denison might be able to give information concerning same.

Antone appears to be very smart and well educated, and anxious to help in this matter, and it is believed that he would make a valuable contact for information within Oklahoma State Penitentiary. He should, of course, be approached through Mr. Dunn.

In line with the above, considering the fact that Fred Hunter was taken to the hideout in southern Oklahoma by "Burrhead" Keady or Dovey Keady, and that Hunter is understood to have made some admissions to agents of the Bureau, it would appear advisable that Hunter be interviewed on this matter. The Oklahoma City files do not contain information concerning Hunter's present place of incarceration, and a letter is being directed to the Bureau suggesting that this interview be had.



On November 6, 1936 Earl Gardner of the Tulsa Police Department was asked to furnish information as to relatives, friends and acquaintances of "Burrhead" Keady in southern Oklahoma. On November 8, 1936 Mr. Gardner informed Special Agent L. E. Kingman that his only suggestion was that Keady may have taken the boys down to Davidson, Oklahoma to the home of Hunter's girl. He knew of no relatives living in southern Oklahoma. Gardner also mentioned Ben Hopkins, who is presently operating a beer garden on S. E. 29th Street in Oklahoma City. Gardner also suggested that John R. Johnsey, presently serving seven years in the State Penitentiary at Canon City, Colorado on a jewelry robbery was formerly from Tulsa, and had connections with the underworld. Gardner is of the opinion that if Johnsey were properly contacted he might shed some light on the operations of Keady at Tulsa and his contacts.

While talking to Mr. T. L. Pace at Nowata, Oklahoma, Mr. Pace stated that Milt Lett has relatives at Des Moines, Iowa, and also relatives some place in the vicinity of Los Angeles, California, and if he, Mr. Pace were looking for Lett he would try these two places. He was positive that the relatives in both places are named Lett. He could not add to this information.

On November 5, and 6, 1936 Special Agent D. R. Morley checked the criminal files and arrest cards at the Ponca City Police Department, with the assistance of Night Sergeant E. F. Davidson, without finding an arrest record on Milt Lett. Neither Lett nor the Perkey family was known to Sergeant Davidson or Officer J. W. Donahue. They were unable to identify the photograph of Lett. Chief of Police Joe McFadden and Detective I. E. Webb were unable to identify the photograph of Milt Lett, and have no knowledge of a Perkey family residing at 410 S. 2nd Street, Ponca City.

Agent Morley and Detective Webb contacted Ray Moore, a confidential informant of Officer Webb, and Moore was unable to identify the photograph of Milt Lett, but said Arthur Perkey, husband of Ruby, was a friend of long standing. Moore is endeavoring to obtain information as to the whereabouts of Milt Lett through Arthur Perkey. Detective Webb said this informant is absolutely reliable. 410 S. 2nd Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma, is a low grade rooming house.

On November 6, 1936 L. R. Hankins, Assistant Postmaster, Ponca City, Oklahoma, agreed to forward tracings of all mail received by Arthur Perkey and Ruby Perkey for the next thirty days to the Oklahoma City office.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CLEVELAND OFFICE

Will reinterview John Brock for more definite information concerning the man raising and racing Greyhound dogs who lived between Tulsa and Sapulpa, Oklahoma, the interview being based on descriptions of persons and property set out herein. Will also endeavor to learn from Brock the distance and direction from Tulsa, Oklahoma of the hideout in southern Oklahoma, to which Keady or his wife took Hunter.

No recent photograph of George H. "Burrhead" Keady is available to the Oklahoma City office, and the Cleveland office is requested to forward two of same to the Oklahoma City office at an early date.

THE DALLAS OFFICE

At Dallas, Texas, providing same has not already been done, will interview "Burrhead" Keady along the lines suggested in the statement of John Brock, ascertaining if possible all friends and contacts of Keady in northern Texas. The report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Cleveland October 20, 1936, which contains the statement of John Brock, is being forwarded with copies of this report to the Dallas office, and should be returned immediately in view of the fact that this is the only copy which the Oklahoma City office has.

At Denison, Texas, will contact law enforcement agencies for information concerning a possible hideout at that place used by George H. "Burrhead" Keady.

THE OMAHA OFFICE

At Des Moines, Iowa, will conduct appropriate investigation to determine whether there is a family named Lett residing at Des Moines, whether they are related to Milton Lett, and whether he has been visiting them.

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California, will conduct appropriate investigation to determine whether there is a family named Lett residing at Los Angeles, whether they are related to Milton Lett, and whether he has been visiting them.

THE DENVER OFFICE

At Canon City, Colorado, will interview John R. Johnsey at the State Penitentiary, for information concerning possible contacts in southern Oklahoma and northern Texas of George H. "Burrhead" Keady, and any other information suggested by the body of this report.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE

At Davidson, Oklahoma, will make inquiry concerning strangers having been at the home of Ruth Hamm during March and April, 1935.

At McAlester, Oklahoma, through Jess Dunn, Assistant Warden of Oklahoma State Penitentiary, will interview Tom Antone for information concerning Keady's contacts.

At Ponca City, Oklahoma, will contact Informant Ray Moore, through Detective I. E. Webb, for information concerning the whereabouts of Milt Lett.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma, will maintain contact with Earl Gardner, Tulsa Police Department, for additional information concerning Keady's contacts.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma, following interview by Dallas office with "Burrhead" Keady, will reinterview Dovey Keady for additional information concerning Keady's contacts.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma, following reinterview with John Brock, will consider the advisability of interviewing Howard Allen and/or Ollie Orsendorf concerning persons brought to their home by "Burrhead" Keady in the spring of 1935.

Following the completion of investigation concerning the harboring of Campbell and Karpis in the Oklahoma City district, will present the facts to the appropriate United States Attorney for his opinion as to prosecution.

P E N D I N G

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

FILE NO. 7-12

REPORT MADE AT <b>Butte, Montana.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11/9/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11/3/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>Russell Bryon</b> <span style="float: right;">RB</span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <span style="float: right;">Dr. Frank Robinson, Psychiana Corporation, Moscow, Idaho, has no correspondence from Benson Groves nor has he ever seen him to his knowledge. States letters not connected with financial transactions destroyed. Further advises his literature mailed to penal institutions if desired. RUC</span></p>			
<p>Reference: <span style="float: right;">Letter from Cleveland Office to Louisville Office, dated 10/12/36.</span></p>			
<p>Details:</p> <p>At Moscow, Idaho:</p> <p>Dr. Frank B. Robinson, 122 South Howard Street, Moscow, Idaho, advises that he has no record of Benson Groves under his true name or aliases, nor has he ever seen him in his life. Dr. Robinson explained to Agent that he operates what is known as the Psychiana Corporation, and that he receives letters from millions of people; that unless a person is a member or pupil of his teaching he would have no record of the individual. He further stated a person might write a letter to him, but unless some financial transaction is involved he does not file the letter, in view of the fact he receives thousands of letters from all over the world and does not have sufficient space to file same.</p>			
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Dr. Robinson further stated that he sends his literature to any penitentiary that will apply for it, but that he never charges anything for it if directed to an institution and that for this reason he never keeps any file thereon. He was unable to furnish any information whatever regarding Groves.

It may be stated that the Psychiana Corporation is an institute somewhat similar to Christian Science, which has received wide renown, and, in fact, due to the correspondence received by this organization has raised the Moscow Post Office from second class to a first class rating. Dr. Robinson is a person of great wealth and personally owns approximately half the real estate in the City of Moscow, Idaho.

In view of the foregoing information it would appear probable that Groves received literature forwarded to the Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and probably wrote Dr. Robinson in inquiry concerning this literature, however, did not subscribe or engage in a financial transaction therefore no record of Groves' correspondence with Dr. Robinson would be kept.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

J. EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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November 10, 1936.

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Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Dawsey  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Foxworth  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Joseph  
Mr. Lester  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Schilder  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Tracy  
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: VICE, GAMBLING AND POLICE CORRUPTION IN  
TOLEDO, OHIO.

On May 20, 1936, the Bureau began an investigation in Toledo, Ohio, in connection with individuals who were responsible for harboring members of the Karpis - Barker Gang at that place, and during the course of this investigation telephone taps were maintained in that city. Various persons, including operators of houses of prostitution, prostitutes, police officers, and informers, were interviewed, who provided information concerning vice and corruption in the city of Toledo as it existed at the time of the investigation and prior thereto.

The investigation resulted in the information that houses of prostitution were openly operated. Interviews were had with former and present members of the Vice Squad of the Toledo, Ohio Police Department and also with Chief of Police Ray Allen, and it was evident that the presence of such houses of prostitution in Toledo were known to the various officers. The interviews disclosed that apparently these houses of prostitution operated with the sanction of the Toledo Police Department. They were considered necessary evils and there was no effort made to suppress vice in that city. What efforts were made to regulate the houses of prostitution, were by prohibiting what is known as "street walking" by the prostitutes, prohibiting soliciting by the prostitutes from the windows and doorways, and further requiring the girls to have periodic medical examinations.

During the course of the investigation, Agents conducted a survey of 17 houses of prostitution which were found to be openly operating in Toledo. It was found that there was one house of prostitution operated by a negro woman, by the name of ELEANOR CROCKETT, alias Beatrice Fuller, who had colored inmates in the house, but only white patrons were permitted to enter. Eleanor Crockett admitted that she operated this house of prostitution in Toledo for 29 years and had only been arrested three times, the last time she was arrested being five or six years ago.

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At the time this investigation was instituted by the Bureau, [REDACTED] confidentially advised that after Special Agents had interviewed several landladies of the houses of prostitution in Toledo, the "pay-off" for the month of June had been made; that due to the investigation conducted by the Bureau the houses closed and the collector of the graft money had to "kick back" part of the protection money. b7c  
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As evidence of "pay-offs" and protection money, one HATTIE HARRIS, colored, furnished the Agents with information that she was employed as a housekeeper in houses of prostitution at Toledo, Ohio from 1926 until 1935; that in 1930 she was in the employment of a madam of a house of prostitution by the name of FAY CLARKE, and had complete charge of two houses of prostitution operated by the Clarke woman, and that every month, from about 1930 to 1932, upon the instructions of Fay Clarke, she, Hattie Harris, went to the residence of TED ANGUS and personally paid him \$100 as protection money for the privilege of operating the two houses of prostitution. Hattie Harris also advised that on occasions when the "heat" was considered to be on the town, some member of the Vice Squad would call at the houses of prostitution and leave word for the houses to close up. These occurrences would happen during the so-called purity drives by the Police Department.

MRS. EDWARD JOYCE, alias Maude Noble, advised Agents that she had operated a house of prostitution in Toledo, Ohio for more than four years and that about four years ago she had operated a house at 202 Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio, and at that time she was advised by other operators of houses of prostitution that in order to remain open she would have to see TED and BERT ANGUS, at the Casino Club in Point Place; that it would be necessary for her to pay \$100 per month protection money; that she paid \$100 for one month, during which time she was not bothered by the Toledo, Ohio Police Department, and the following month, when she did not pay, the Vice Squad continually visited her house and arrested her on one occasion; that they made it so miserable for her she had to go out of business temporarily. She stated that about June or July, 1935 she was not paying protection money and the Vice Squad frequently visited her house; that at the suggestion of one JULIUS DAVIS she paid \$50 protection money for one month and was not bothered by the Vice Squad. This woman died on September 1, 1936.

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The other operators of houses of prostitution interviewed by Agents refused to admit that they were paying protection money, and in some cases the women claimed they were operating only rooming houses. However, the prostitutes interviewed at these houses all admitted practicing prostitution.

On June 11, 1936, when Agents were making investigation in the house of prostitution operated by PAULINE NEINSTEIN, 921 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio, WILLIAM FISK of the Toledo Police Department called at this house of prostitution in a casual manner. When he was questioned by Agents, he stated that he was looking for violations of the liquor laws. [REDACTED] confidentially advised that he had obtained information that OFFICERS FISKE and KLINE, of the Liquor Squad, were collectors of protection money from houses of prostitution. This information could not be verified.

On the night of June 12, 1936, while Agents were making investigation at the house of prostitution operated by KITTY SPERRY, alias Kitty Diamond, 616 Lafayette Street, Toledo, Ohio, the telephone rang and the maid answered it. A Special Agent approached the telephone and overheard the man who was calling ask for "Kitty" and when the maid advised that Kitty was busy, the man calling left a message for Kitty to call Adams 4141. This telephone is listed to the Toledo Police Department.

While Agents were making an investigation at the house of Kitty Sperry on June 11, 1936, DETECTIVES DONALD MCGREGOR and W. COOK, members of the Vice Squad, entered this house of prostitution in a jaunty manner as though they had been there frequently and were welcome. They explained their presence by stating they were making a routine inspection; that they had been on the vice squad one month and had made no arrests. These officers, as well as other officers, subsequently interviewed, stated that they did not make an arrest in a house of prostitution unless they caught a man with an inmate, in her room. Other officers advised that unless this situation existed, the Municipal Court Judges would not find the prostitutes guilty.

At about 10:30 P.M. on the night of June 16, 1936, Special Agents saw a uniformed police officer leave a house of prostitution at 43 Vance Street, and enter a Toledo Police Department Squad car, bearing 1936 Ohio plates OR-886. Captain CHARLES HENNESSEY confidentially advised that this squad car was used on the night of June 16, 1936, by



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OFFICERS STEEL and SEADERS; that these officers had no reason to call at 43 Vance Street in connection with their official duties, and that there was no record made by them as having made such a call.

Apparently as part of the system of protecting houses of prostitution, in exchange for protection money paid by them, certain police officers assigned to the Vice Squad have in the past been prevented from entering houses of prostitution and were assigned exclusively on working on the streets in arresting "street walkers". OFFICER L. D. MILLS stated that in January or February, 1934, he was assigned to the Vice Squad, under CAPTAIN GEORGE TIMINEY; that Timiney called the various members of the Squad into the Chief's office, and, in the presence of the Chief of Police, told the Squad that the Vice Squad should only work the streets and arrest only "street walkers", and when he, Mills, told Timiney he did not believe this order was consistent with the duties of an officer of the Vice Squad; that he believed the Vice Squad should be permitted to conduct investigations in houses of prostitution, Timiney remarked, "You take care of the streets and I will take care of the - - - houses." Mills stated that he was removed from the Vice Squad two days later. Other officers who were on the Vice Squad at that time verified the information that they were assigned to work exclusively on the streets, arresting prostitutes who were soliciting.

MRS. EDITH MARKS, former paramour of Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department, has furnished Agents with the information that during the administration of MAYOR SOLOMON KLOTZ, Toledo, Ohio, years 1934 - 1935, Timiney, CHARLES MATTHEWS, former Welfare Director of the City of Toledo, and Mayor Klotz, split the "pay-off" money collected by Ted Angus from various houses of prostitution in Toledo, and that she derived her knowledge concerning this by various conversations she had with Timiney.

Mrs. Marks stated that prior to 1930 a negro politician by the name of VENA was the collector of protection money in Toledo; that when MAYOR JACKSON came into office in Toledo, Ohio, in the year 1930, George Timiney ousted Vena as the collector, and allied himself with Ted Angus. Mrs. Marks stated that she was certain that Mayor Jackson himself personally benefited by the protection money collected; that this set-up continued throughout Jackson's administration and thereafter for a short time under MAYOR ADDISON Q. THATCHER, who came into office in the year of 1932; that Ted Angus was ousted as the collector, but Timiney continued to share in the "pay-off", but after the election of Klotz as Mayor, Ted Angus again began operating as the collector. Mrs. Marks stated that she did

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not know definitely, but that she understood that during the time Klotz was Mayor of Toledo, Ohio, a total amount of protection money each month would amount to between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

MISS DEANE ALLEN, another paramour of George Timiney, with whom Timiney lived prior to the time he began living with Edith Marks, furnished information that it was common knowledge that Ted Angus collected graft from the houses of prostitution at the rate of \$5 for each inmate per week, and that from rumors and other sources not disclosed by her she learned Timiney personally collected graft money from the gambling places in Toledo. She related that prior to 1932 she would visit the Casino Club, operated by Ted Angus, and that on one occasion she drove with Timiney in the latter's automobile to the vicinity of the "red light" district, and while she was waiting in the car on Orange Street in Toledo she noticed Ted Angus come out of a house of prostitution, making a notation on a piece of paper which he later handed to Timiney; that some time later she went through Timiney's clothes and found a list with the names of 93 disorderly houses.

Evidence was obtained during the investigation conducted at Toledo, Ohio that the conditions found in that city during June and July, 1936 did not differ in a great measure from that which apparently existed in previous years. In March, 1934 a comprehensive confidential report was made by an investigator of the Social Hygiene Council, setting up the results of an inquiry made into vice and corruption in that city. The results of this investigation are summarized as follows:

(1) that the hotels furnished prostitutes, or prostitutes would be furnished through bell boys of hotels in Toledo.

(2) that every house of prostitution was compelled to "pay off" from \$15 to \$25 for the smaller places, more for the larger places, in order that these houses could continue to operate.

(3) that George Timiney, then head of the Vice Squad, controlled the collection of "pay-offs", according to statements made by madams of houses of prostitution that were interviewed.

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(4) that the "pay-off" was divided between police officers and politicians.

(5) that no effort was made to close known houses of prostitution, but orders were issued to such houses to refrain from window tapping, et cetera.

(6) that the madams of houses of prostitution carried sufficient influence to change the ideas of the Mayor of Toledo to best suit the madams of such houses.

(7) that the so-called periodic "vice" and "purity" drives were but temporary and had little effect in suppressing vice.

(8) that the investigator visited 39 houses of prostitution where 88 white prostitutes and 9 negro prostitutes were interviewed, or information was obtained concerning them. Of this number, only 4 prostitutes, 2 white and 2 negro, were not sexual perverts. The other 93 perverts offered their services at prices ranging from \$1 to \$3.

A copy of this report is said to have been furnished to Mayor Klotz and his Safety Director, JOHN PRICE. It is further said that a copy of this report was furnished to the present city manager, JOHN EDY, and Chief of Police, Ray Allen.

Special Agents at the time investigation was conducted concerning houses of prostitution of Toledo learned that with few exceptions the inmates of these houses were all sexual perverts and would sell their services for from 50¢ to \$1.

MABEL GREEN, MAXINE BELMONT, ROSIE BUSH, and SADIE DANN, appeared to be the most prominent madams of houses of prostitution in Toledo, at the present time. Telephone taps were maintained on the telephones of Maxine Belmont and Sadie Dann, and information was obtained which would substantiate the allegation that the various police officers were in frequent contact with Maxine Belmont.

The telephone tap on the Belmont woman's telephone disclosed that Municipal Court Judge HOMER RAMEY visited the Shelby Hotel, a house of prostitution operated by Maxine Belmont.

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REVEREND CHARLES B. HARRISON furnished Agents with information contained in a confidential report prepared by him under date of June 3, 1935, which disclosed that during that month the following gambling places were openly operating in Toledo:

THE JOVIAL CLUB, 631 St. Clair Street,  
operated by ED WARKKE.

THE RECREATION CLUB, 513½ Jefferson Street,  
operated by HARRY LEVINE.

THE SUPERIOR, 120 Superior Street,  
operated by BENNY HARRIS.

THE BUCKEYE, 227 Superior Street,  
operated by BENNY ARANOFF.

THE R. and K. SMOKE SHOP, 428½ Superior Street,  
operated by "NIG" COUSINS.

RALPH DUGGAN'S PLACE, 625 St. Clair Street.

During the investigation by Agents in June and July, 1935, it was found that the above described gambling places were being operated openly. All of these places are located in the downtown business district in Toledo. Information was obtained that JOE ROSCOE, a subject in the harboring investigation, was interested in the operation of the JOVIAL CLUB; that "NIG" COUSINS, who also associated with the Karpis - Barker Gang in Toledo, operated the R. and K. SMOKE SHOP, which is a "bookie" joint.

The Agents determined, by passing, that the SUPERIOR was evidently a gambling place because the announcing of race results in this club could be heard on the street. Agents found no difficulty in entering any of the gambling places.

Police officers interviewed in connection with the gambling conditions in Toledo, all had knowledge of the operation of these places and used as an excuse for not taking action against them the fact that the operators of these clubs knew their identity and by the time the of-

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Officers entered the places no gambling would be in evidence.

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The telephone tap maintained on the telephone of the Amusement Games and Novelty Company, operated by JOE and BEN FRETTE, disclosed that the FRETTE brothers were in control of the operation of slot and pinball machines in the city of Toledo. Ben Frette, when interviewed by Agents, stated that he knew he was engaged in an illegal business and mentioned that for a number of years he had dabbled in politics in Toledo and controls approximately 1500 votes, and that from time to time makes contributions to both the Democratic and Republican parties. The telephone tap on the Frette place of business was operated from August 17, 1936 to September 24, 1936, and established that:

(1) Pinball machines operate in Toledo, paying off in money and slugs, which are redeemed in money or merchandise.

(2) After passing of a local ordinance compelling the licensing of each pinball or slot machine device considered to be an amusement device and not a gambling machine, pinball machines and slot machines continued to operate openly in Toledo.

(3) Ben and Joe Frette are the apparent heads of the local syndicate at Toledo, Ohio, controlling the pinball business in that city.

(4) Joe and Ben Frette are allied with various police officers and their interests are protected by such officers. Evidence of collusion and condonation of law violations are shown as follows:

- (a) Meetings of Joe Frette and SERGEANT CLINT KNUDEL, at Knudel's home, for the purpose of Knudel conveying to Frette official orders issued to the police concerning pinball machines.
- (b) Various meetings of Joe Frette with Sergeant Knudel and other police officers of the Toledo Police Department under suspicious circumstances.

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- (c) Definite information indicating that police officers of the Toledo Police Department make efforts to foster the interests of Joe and Ben Fretti in their operation of pinball machines in the city of Toledo, Ohio, and that Joe and Ben Fretti have knowledge of proposed police activities before such intended action is taken.
- (d) Indications that violations of law concerning the suppression of pinball machines are fixed in Court.
- (e) Checking on the activities of investigating officers and threatening police officers who might be investigating pinball machines operated by Joe and Ben Fretti, and the use of the local police at Toledo, Ohio to aid in stamping out operators of competing pinball machines.
- (f) Racketeering methods used in coercing individuals to use Regal Beer, distributed by Joe and Ben Fretti.

A telephone tap was maintained on the telephone listed in the name of Wittenberg, Jacobs, and Berenson, Toledo, Ohio, from July 6, 1936, ending August 8, 1936. Conversations over this telephone indicated that this firm, composed of three Wittenberg brothers, Earl, Dave and Myer, together with Ben Berenson, and Jacobs, is practically the only professional bailing and bonding firm in Toledo, Ohio, dealing exclusively in criminal bail bonds. The conversations over this telephone indicated that this firm is in close contact with the Police Department and is the Municipal Court "fixer"; that the firm is particularly in close contact with the Turnkey's office in the City Hall, and that the various Turnkeys, as well as police matrons, furnish the firm with information with reference to prisoners who are in the City Jail, and in several instances the Turnkeys were heard to comment whether the people who were arrested were good prospects for bail purposes.

Conversations over the telephone further reflected that this firm makes a practice of "fixing" tickets given by the Traffic Department

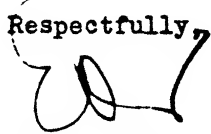
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of the Toledo Police Department for violations of the traffic laws; that their ability to do this is apparently through connections in the City Clerk's office. In addition to the foregoing activities, conversations over the telephone indicated that members of this firm are able to obtain certain confidential information from the City Clerk's office with reference to certain criminal warrants and to use their influence to have false returns made on the warrants or to delay their execution.

Respectfully,

  
E. A. Tamm.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 14, 1936

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

11-17-36  
COLLIER, aliases: Colin Monroe, Coolie Monroe, an important subject in the harboring angle of this case at Toledo, Ohio, is presently on Middle Island in Canadian waters in Lake Erie. There are some indications that he will leave this island in the near future and possibly go to Leamington, Ontario, Canada, where, it is rumored, that he has a job.

It may become necessary to resort to some legal action to get him back into the United States and it is, therefore, important to determine whether or not he is an American citizen there being some rumors to the effect that he is a native of Canada.

It is respectfully requested that the records of the War and Navy Departments be searched for the purpose of determining whether or not this individual ever served in the armed forces of the United States, and with this in mind, the following descriptive data is being set forth. A description as obtained from the records of the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, is as follows:

Name	-	Colin Munro
Age	-	39 (1931) (born 3-22-97)
Height	-	5'6 1/2"
Weight	-	147 pounds
Build	-	Medium
Hair	-	Brown
Eyes	-	Blue
Complexion	-	Medium fair
Occupation	-	Carpenter
Nationality	-	American
Religion	-	Presbyterian
Relatives	-	Brother - D. W. Munro 1340 W. Monroe St., Phoenix, Arizona

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The following is the criminal record of Colin Munro,  
as furnished to the Atlanta Penitentiary by the Bureau under  
date of November 23, 1931:

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In view of the fact that it is expected that the harbor-  
ing situation at Toledo will come to trial in the near future, this  
matter should be given early attention by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*  
J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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November 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: REXWID

Dear Sir:

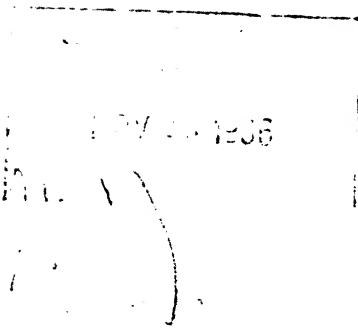
Reference is made to your letter dated November 14, 1936, in the case of Colin Mauro, alias Colin Monroe, alias Colie Monroe, in which you request that the Bureau cause a search to be made of the records of the Navy and War Departments for the purpose of determining whether this individual ever served in the armed forces of the United States.

A search was made through the fingerprint files of the War Department, Navy Department, Marine Corps and Coast Guard by means of the fingerprints in jacket FBI-401566 on Colin Mauro which includes the fingerprint card from the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, #29536, mentioned in your letter. No record was found of any service for this subject in any of the above-mentioned forces.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc - Chicago  
Cincinnati



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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-13-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11-11-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. E. HOPTON</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232, et al Edward George Bremer - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Records of the Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, reflect that Alvin Karpis and Charles Carroll escaped together from that institution on 3-9-29.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b></p> <p>Letter from the Chicago office, dated 11-4-36. Report of Special Agent A. F. Farland, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 11-7-36.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p>Through the courtesy of E. W. Ford, Record Clerk, Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, the writer was permitted to examine their records pertaining to Alvin Karpis and Charles Carroll. The receiving register or record book of inmates reflects that Charles Carroll, #6968, was sentenced on 11-6-25 in Butler County on a charge of second degree burglary. The sentence was 5 to 10 years. He was received at the reformatory on 12-18-25. The original fingerprint records of the reformatory reflect that Charles Carroll escaped from the institution on 3-9-29 and was captured on 3-13-29. On 7-27-29 he was transferred to the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas. The original fingerprint records further reflect that Alvin Karpis, as #7071, was received at the reformatory on 2-25-26 from Jackson County, charge burglary second degree, sentence 10 years, escaped 3-9-29 and returned on 3-25-30. He was transferred to the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, on 5-19-30.</p>			
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A. M. Starbuck, military instructor, Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, stated that in March, 1929, he was employed as a steward in the reformatory; that he recalled the above four men having escaped, but that he was not present at the reformatory at that time. He stated, however, that he was at the reformatory prior to their escape and that he is able to state that he knew that Karpis and O'Keefe were pals, but was unable to say that Karpis and Carroll were associates in the reformatory.

The writer called at 834 East 4th Street, Hutchinson, Kansas, several times during the day and was unable to find anyone at home. Neighborhood inquiries resulted in information to the effect that Clarence Main is presently working as a carpenter in Burrton, Kansas, and that he usually returns to Hutchinson, Kansas, each Saturday and remains there over the week end.

For the information of the Oklahoma City office, the letter of reference recites that in connection with the harboring investigation at Cleveland, Ohio, there was found on the premises formerly occupied by Alvin Karpis in Cleveland, Ohio, a copy of the criminal record of Charles Carroll; that subsequent investigation indicated that said criminal record was obtained by the Sheriff at Chardon, Ohio, at the request of Frank J. Noonan of Cleveland, Ohio. The letter requested that investigation be conducted to ascertain the identity of the person or persons who can testify to the fact that Charles Carroll and Alvin Karpis escaped together on 3-9-29 and also, if possible, the names of witnesses who can testify as to the prior association of these two men during the time they were incarcerated in the reformatory. The letter of reference requests that this investigation be expedited.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, will interview Captain D. J. Wilson, who was Assistant Superintendent of the Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, in the year 1929, and ascertain whether he possesses additional information relative to the escape of Charles Carroll and Alvin Karpis from the reformatory and whether he has ever seen these two individuals associating with each other while inmates thereof.

KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Burrton, Kansas, will interview Clarence Main, securing from him the facts relative to the escape of Alvin Karpis and Charles Carroll on 3-9-29, and also whether he is able to testify that they associated with each other while

inmates at the reformatory. As noted in the body of this report, Mr. Main usually spends his week ends at home in Hutchinson, Kansas, and it may be that he can be contacted at that place.

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**Time: 5:23 PM**

RE: Investigative Matters  
at Cleveland

In the course of a telephone conversation with Inspector Connelley who called from Chillicothe, Ohio, he stated that the U. S. Attorney at Cleveland appeared to be giving us the run around; that the U. S. Attorney had today called in Agent Wynn and told him he would not be able to handle the matters on the twenty-first because he would be so busy. Mr. Connelley stated the reason for this is that on the seventeenth the U. S. Attorney will present the Garrettsville job and will use in there two witnesses that they did not know about except from what he got out of the Bureau reports. Mr. Connelley stated he thought they were trying to jump the indictment on us so that they would be the first to lock up the subject. Mr. Connelley stated he planned to get to Cleveland Monday morning and to see the U. S. Attorney and tell him what he thought about the situation. I stated this would be all right and if necessary we would have to move up the date of arrest. Mr. Connelley stated that the U. S. Attorney thought he would have to continue the Grand Jury until about December 14. I told Mr. Connelley to see the U. S. Attorney and inform him of what we want in this case.

Very truly yours,

**John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.**

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 14, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

It is requested that you immediately furnished to this office fifty (50) photographs of BENSON GROVE, with aliases, U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, #28605, a copy of which photograph is enclosed herewith.

These photographs are to be distributed to the Bureau field divisions with a circular letter and it is therefore requested that you furnish the photographs to the Cleveland office as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

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- Cincinnati

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 14, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

The United States Attorney at Cleveland desires certified copies of the indictments and bench warrants mentioned below for use in connection with the harboring trial as to certain individuals who harbored members of the Barker-Karpis gang in the Northern District of Ohio.

In requesting the Bureau to secure such certified copies, the United States Attorney stated that it has been his experience that when his office requested copies of indictments from other districts, on occasions leaks have occurred, possibly through inadvertent remarks made by employees in the clerk's office in other districts, which have resulted in his receiving telephone calls from the Associated Press as to the reason for his requesting such copies of indictments from other districts. Inasmuch as the harboring trial in the Northern District of Ohio is considered of utmost importance, and in order to preclude any intimation reaching the press that the office of the United States Attorney has the matter under consideration, Mr. Freed deems it advisable for the Bureau to secure the requested certified copies of the indictments and warrants.

In line with the request of the United States Attorney you will please arrange to secure from the Clerk of the United States District Court at St. Paul, Minnesota, certified copies of the following documents:

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Indictment returned by the U. S. Grand Jury, St. Paul, on May 4, 1934, charging Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, John J. McLaughlin, and others, with conspiracy to kidnap and transport in interstate commerce and hold for \$200,000 ransom Edward George Bremer, on or about January 17, 1934;

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Bench warrant dated May 7, 1934, issued against Alvin Karpis, with non est return thereon dated May 7, 1934;

Bench warrant dated May 4, 1934, issued for Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, with no non est return thereon;

Bench warrant dated May 4, 1936, issued for Roy Gray and Izzie, bearing no non est return thereon;

Indictment returned by the United States Grand Jury, St. Paul, on January 22, 1935, charging that between December 1, 1933 and May 1, 1934, Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, and others, conspired to kidnap and transport Edward George Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensenville, Illinois, and hold him for \$200,000 ransom in violation of an Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chap. 241, 47 Stat., 326; U.S.C. 408a.

Bench warrants issued on above indictment as follows:

Bench warrant dated January 22, 1935 issued for Alvin Karpis, containing non est return dated January 23, 1935;

Alias bench warrant dated January 24, 1935, issued for Alvin Karpis, containing notation thereon that warrant was served on May 6, 1936;

Bench warrant dated January 22, 1935, issued for Harry Campbell, with notation appearing thereon that warrant was served on Harry Campbell on May 12, 1936;

Indictment returned by the United States Grand Jury, St. Paul, on January 22, 1935, against Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, and others, charging them with kidnaping and transporting Edward George Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, on or about January 17, 1934 in violation of an Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chap. 241, 47 Stat., 326; U.S.C. 408a.

It is requested that you expedite this matter and furnish the certified copies of the requested documents at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

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- Chicago  
- Cincinnati

J. F. McFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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November 10, 1936

Mr. Clyde Tolson, Asst. Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

For your information, I am attaching herewith  
carbon copy of my teletype message to Mr. Weyerhauser.

I spoke to Mr. Bremer on the telephone and he  
would like to look at a copy of the film Saturday morn-  
ing in St. Paul, which I have arranged. Incidentally,  
Mr. Bremer doesn't recall posing for these pictures.  
I suppose he was too excited at the time. However, he  
did not indicate that he would with-hold permission  
provided he made a pleasing appearance in the film,  
which is practically the same thing as Mr. Urschel had  
in mind, except that Mr. Urschel mentioned that he  
wanted to forget the whole thing, but he wanted me to  
know that he was not unappreciative of what the G-Men  
had done for him.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

(S) Charles E. Ford  
Managing Director  
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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 14, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In connection with the above captioned matter this office has conducted considerable investigation in the Northern District of Ohio as to those persons who harbored various subjects of this case in the years 1934, 1935 and 1936, and it is expected that the matter will be brought to trial in the very near future.

The United States Attorney at Cleveland desires for his use some precedent in harboring cases and has requested that he be furnished with copies of the indictments returned in your district as to persons who were charged with harboring Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker and their associates.

In addition to the indictments the United States Attorney is also interested in any decisions handed down by the trial court in the above-mentioned case, particularly with reference to the matter of knowledge on the part of persons charged with harboring as to the identity of the persons harbored, that is to say, the extent of proof which is necessary to go to a jury and whether the knowledge of one co-conspirator as to the true identity of the persons harbored and the fact that Federal warrants were outstanding can be imputed to co-conspirators who knew that the persons who were harbored were criminals who were wanted, but not specifically that they were wanted for a Federal offense. If available the court's charge to the jury should be obtained.

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Inasmuch as the United States Attorney at Cleveland now has under consideration the preparation of indictments preparatory to presentation to the Grand Jury, it is respectfully requested that you expedite the request made in this letter, and furnish the desired information to the Cleveland office at an early date, indicating two copies of your report for the United States Attorney at Cleveland.

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For your information the correct title of the Brekid  
case is now, GEORGE TIMINNY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Very truly yours,

EJW/EJB  
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- Cincinnati

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

VIA - AIR MAIL

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-37

REPORT MADE AT <b>KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-11-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-26-27-28-36 11-2-4-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>D. L. McCORMACK</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232, et al Edward George Bremer - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: right;">Informants at Nevada, Joplin, Anderson and Seneca, Missouri, have received no information concerning Lett in several months.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="text-align: right;">Report of Special Agent V. W. Gillen, Kansas City, 10-1-36.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="text-align: center;">At Nevada, Missouri</p> <p>[REDACTED] stated she has received no information concerning Lett and is no longer in a position to receive information, inasmuch as [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] She advised she is still willing to cooperate with the Bureau in furnishing any information she receives, but it is doubtful now whether she will be of further value in this case.</p> <p>Verne Griffith stated he is still employed at the State Line Tavern and is satisfied that Lett is no longer coming there. He had heard none of the men speak of Lett in sometime and it is his personal belief Lett has left this section of Missouri. He advised that Thornton has recently employed a man named Owen to handle the stick at the gambling table; that this fellow is from Coffeyville, Kansas, and appears to be a very good friend of Ted Thornton. It is Griffith's belief Owen is one of the minor hoodlums and</p>			
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probably has a lot of information. Griffith does not believe however Owen would give out any information to anyone and that he certainly would give no information which was against the interests of Ted Thornton. Griffith stated that if he continues to work at the State Line Tavern he will cultivate Owen and see if anything can be gained. Griffith advised that he expects to be made Deputy Sheriff at Nevada, Missouri, if the Chief Deputy, Mr. Stonum, who is now running for Sheriff is elected. (The election has taken place since this interview with Griffith and Stonum was elected Sheriff at Nevada. At this time it is not known how this will effect Griffith's value as an informant.) Griffith has been advised that he would be paid for any information he received concerning Lett which was successful in causing Lett's apprehension, if furnished to Bureau Agents, and he has promised to do everything possible to cause the apprehension of Lett.

Ade Tow, Chief of Police, Nevada, stated he has received no information concerning Lett in several months and he does not believe Lett has been around Nevada recently.

• At Anderson, Missouri •

Frank Chandler stated he has received no information at all concerning Lett in the past months and it is his belief Lett has not visited friends around Anderson recently. He has this community covered by informants so that he will be notified should Lett put in his appearance.

• At Joplin, Missouri •

Sergeant Charles Newman and Trooper Kahler, Missouri State Highway Patrol, stated they had received no information concerning Lett in some time and that such informants as they have been able to contact in and around Joplin advised them that Lett has not been seen in Joplin in recent months.

While Agent was in Joplin a check was made of several of the gambling casinos nightly without success. It has been rumored in the past that Lett has worked at the gambling tables in Joplin. He is certainly not there at the present time for all card dealers and dice men found employed are known around Joplin and were all identified by Agent as being local characters before Agent left Joplin.

At Seneca, Missouri

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[redacted] advised that he has heard nothing about Lett in so long that he is convinced Lett is no longer playing along the state line of Missouri and Oklahoma. [redacted] advised that Talbert, the man whom he expected to get information from in Joplin, has been unable to get any and it is his present belief that Talbert is not closely enough connected with the underworld to obtain information that would be of any value.

At Nevada, Missouri

Sam Graham, Highway Patrolman, stated he has thoroughly covered his informants and suspected places around Nevada for the past few months but has obtained no information that would indicate Lett has been in that territory recently or would be returning. He stated that information concerning Lett is entirely cold and it is his personal belief that Lett is no longer traveling in the southwest section of Missouri.

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November 14, 1936

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1252;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM -  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a draft of the proposed press  
release regarding the harboring cases at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.  
The identity of the individuals who will be arrested in connection  
with this matter, and the places where arrested will be incorporated  
before being released to the press.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

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REPORT MADE AT <b>St. Paul, Minnesota</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-13-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11/7,9/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. T. NOONAN</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">No record of Charles Carroll at St. Paul, Minn., except a copy of his fingerprints and criminal record on file with the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, which prints were originally received from the Sheriff's office, Mankato, Minn.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter from Chicago Office, 11-6-36.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p><u>At St. Paul, Minnesota</u></p> <p>Inquiry was made at the Police Department through Fred O'Rourke of the Identification Division, where no record could be found of Charles Carroll.</p> <p>At the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, through J. L. Dwyer in charge of the Identification Division, a record was found of Charles Carroll under No. 45242. This file contains only a number of copies of the criminal record of this individual received from the Bureau, but there is no correspondence or other enlightening facts. Mr. Dwyer made a search of all the Ohio correspondence received by the State Bureau but was unable to locate any inquiry concerning this party.</p> <p>Melvin Passolt, Superintendent of the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, was also contacted during this inquiry and caused a further</p>			
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search to be made of the records without finding anything concerning Carroll except as above stated.

It is noted that the fingerprints in this case were received by the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension from the Blue Earth County Sheriff, Mankato, Minnesota, the fingerprint card being received with no other information than the name written thereon. It is noted that these prints bear the State Bureau's stamp dated April 27, 1933, while the prints received by the Bureau from the Minnesota State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension were received April 13, 1933.

A letter is being forwarded to the Sheriff of Blue Earth County, Minnesota, to determine whether he received any correspondence concerning Carroll from the Sheriff at Chardon, Ohio, or any of his representatives.

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Post Office Box 1469,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
November 12, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the investigation presently being conducted relative to the corrupt set-up at Hot Springs, Arkansas, which is being supervised by Inspector E. J. Connelley, it is respectfully requested that you thoroughly review the files in the Oklahoma City office in the case entitled: Frank Nash, with aliases; Escaped Federal Prisoner, and those reports in the Knomo case containing results of investigations conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, prior to June 18, 1934, which date this office was opened.

This office is particularly desirous of securing the names of confidential informants who have heretofore cooperated with the Bureau, namely, those persons who are in a position to furnish information as to the political set-up at Hot Springs, and those persons who can disclose information showing the alliance of the present city administration, particularly Herbert "Dutch" Akers, with gambling and vice operations in that town, and with well known criminals who have been harbored there in the past.

It has been noted that Special Agent Frank Smith, of your office, has in the past conducted considerable investigative activity at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in various important cases handled by the Bureau in recent years. Agent Smith undoubtedly has a great deal of information concerning individuals connected with the police department and with politicians of influence in Hot Springs. He likewise undoubtedly is acquainted with various persons whom he has contacted in the past for information. In connection with this request, it is suggested that Special Agent Frank Smith submit his opinion, based upon his past experiences with

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informants, law enforcement officials and others, in past investigations conducted in that city, as to the reliability or unreliability of persons contacted by him in the past.

For your information the following reports, which are photostated, have already been received in this office, and their contents have been noted and reported:

Report of Special Agent R. L. Beverly, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, June 26, 1933.

Report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 3, 1933.

Report of Special Agent S. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 15, 1933.

Very truly yours,

JOHN B. LITTLE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

JLM/cpw

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cc - Cincinnati

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1443 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 13, 1936.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BUMED

Confirming long distance telephone conversation had with you today by Special Agent E. J. Kynn, please be advised that Special Agents A. Paul Kitchin and E. J. Kynn conferred with United States Attorney Emerich R. Freed at his request, and were advised by Mr. Freed that a Federal Grand Jury is to convene at Cleveland, Ohio, on November 16, 1936, and that the presentation of the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery is to be made to the Grand Jury beginning November 17, 1936, which Mr. Freed contemplates will take several days; that thereafter, on November 22, 1936, the case against Ardell Quinn, White Slave Traffic Act, is to be presented to the Grand Jury, providing the presentation of the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery has been completed by that time. Mr. Freed further advised that he has an important H.O.L.C. violation which he intends to present to the Grand Jury; that he deems all three of these cases of such importance as to require his personal attention and presence in the Grand Jury room.

In view of the above, Mr. Freed explained that it would be impossible for him to go through with the original arrangements made for the handling of the harboring situation at Cleveland and Toledo, that is, he would be unable to fully acquaint himself with the complete facts with reference to the harboring situation by November 21, 1936, and, therefore, would be unable to authorize warrants on that date as originally planned. He further stated that in all, his work at Cleveland would tie him up until approximately November 26, 1936, but that under present arrangements he contemplates going to Toledo on November 27, 1936, and there collaborate with Mr. Openlander, his assistant at Toledo in connection with the harboring situation, there to complete a review of the facts, draw up indictments and make final decisions as to the persons against whom he considered issuing warrants.

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In line with the above situation, Mr. Freed stated that no Grand Jury would be called to convene at Toledo, Ohio, on November 27, 1936, as originally planned, but that undoubtedly the calling of the Grand Jury would be postponed until December 14, 1936, at which time the facts in the harboring case would be presented to the Grand Jury.

Mr. Freed stated that he considered the harboring case a very important one and that he desires to become fully acquainted with the facts in the case, and that when he goes to Toledo, on November 27, 1936, he will require the presence of one or more Agents fully acquainted with the facts of the case, to sit in on the discussions with Mr. Openlander and him. He stressed the point that to date he has not been able to fully acquaint himself with the facts in the harboring case, and in view of the attention he must give to other matters in connection with the Grand Jury to convene at Cleveland on November 16, 1936, he would not have sufficient opportunity to fully acquaint himself with the case sufficient to issue complaints prior to December 5, 1936.

In addition to the above information, please be advised that Mr. Freed indicated that it was his intention to subpoena Margaret Ball and Lillian Wares, mentioned in our investigation of the harboring case, as witnesses before the Grand Jury at Cleveland in connection with the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery, stating in this regard that he considers these two witnesses as very important in definitely linking Joe Roscoe with Karpis and Campbell in connection with this particular mail robbery.

In view of the above change of plans, it is presumed that you will not want Agents McKee, Noonan and Norstrom to report in the Cleveland district on November 18, 1936 as originally planned. This office is taking no action with reference to notifying these Agents, leaving this matter for your decision and action. As you know, Agent Norstrom is assigned to the Chicago office and has been specifically instructed to be at Toledo, Ohio, on November 18, 1936.

As you were advised in long distance telephone conversation, United States Attorney Freed desires the presence of Special Agent S. K. McKee at Cleveland, Ohio, on November 23, 1936, in connection with the presentation of the case entitled, ARDELL QUINN; GERTRUDE GUERRIER, with aliases; ET AL - Victims; WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT.

Very truly yours,

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- Chicago

J. L. Mac LINTOCK  
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida  
Nov. 14, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: MIAMI, FLORIDA

Reference is made to my telephone conversation of Nov. 11, 1936 with Mr. Douglas of the Bureau with regard to the office space to be rented at Miami in which mention was also made of furniture to be used in the office and in which Mr. Douglas advised that the necessary furniture would be shipped from Washington, D. C. Further reference is made to my telegram of Nov. 14, 1936 in which I advised that the space at 1201-2 Biscayne Building would be available for occupancy on Nov. 20, 1936 and that furniture could be shipped in my care at that address.

As outlined in letter to you from Inspector E. J. Connelley under date of Nov. 4, 1936 it is my understanding that the office here will be used for the present, at least, by two Agents from the Jacksonville Office in addition to Agent R. T. Noonan and myself. I have in mind also the possibility of additional Agents using this space during the coming season. With this setup in view I am submitting for your approval the following list of furniture and supplies which I believe to be necessary at the present time:

3 agents desks, desk pads and blotters  
1 typewriter desk  
1 typewriter table  
1 work table, approximately 4'x7'  
3 steel filing cabinets, 4 drawer, legal size, with locks  
6 filing boxes 3x5 cards  
2 costumers  
4 waste baskets  
1 supply cabinet  
3 cuspidors  
1 typewriter chair  
3 swivel chairs with arms  
4 straight chairs with arms  
6 straight chairs  
8 desk trays  
1 standard typewriter  
2 portable typewriters

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✓ J. P. [Signature]

Rugs of sizes suitable for 3 rooms as indicated in floor plan  
1 pencil sharpener  
1 safe  
1 clock  
2 desk lamps

It is requested that one of the framed verses by Elbert Hubbard entitled "Loyalty" also be supplied.

The problem of automobiles is to be considered and it is requested that arrangements to be made to furnish two cars other than Hudsons in first class condition in the event such cars are not available at the Jacksonville Office. For the immediate present authority is requested to rent either Ford or Chevrolet automobiles for use in investigations here.

Advice is requested as to whether a sign is desired on the door of Room 1201 in the Biscayne Building. It is suggested that a sign would be desirable inasmuch as numerous interviews will be held in the office and a sign would facilitate the location of the premises. In the event a sign is desired authority is requested to pay for the painting.

Authority is also requested to pay for any necessary expenses incident to the removal of the furniture which is to be shipped here from the freight station to the space in the Biscayne Building.

I have thought of the matter of keeping the office at Miami open for business, also of receiving messages at the office during the regular hours and otherwise. All of the Agents here will have considerable typing to do and such typing will occupy considerable time which could be used in investigative work in the event stenographic assistance was available. It is also contemplated that the work here will entail night work on account of the nature of the work itself and in numerous instances the work in question can only be performed at night. It is my idea that the purposes of having an office at Miami can best be served by keeping the office open on the same basis as the average field office, that is with respect to hours, in order that immediate communication might be had and contacts received without delay. With this in mind and in order that the Agents here may be available for actual investigative work the major portions of their times I am requesting that the matter of transferring an experienced stenographer to Miami for the period the office will be in operation be considered.

Very truly yours,

(SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT)  
cc-Jacksonville

S. K. McKee  
Special Agent



1445 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 16, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

RE: BENKID

Reference is made to your letter of November 9, 1936, wherein it is stated that Alex Warner, husband of Daisy Warner, with aliases, called at the Pittsburgh office and advised that Daisy Warner had been arrested in a house of prostitution in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

This is to advise that in so far as the investigation of the above entitled matter is concerned, it is not thought that any further interview with this woman would be necessary at this time. However, it is left to your discretion as to whether or not an interview with Daisy Warner would probably develop information relative to her transportation from Canton, Ohio, to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and a possible violation of the White Slave Traffic Act.

It is respectfully requested, in accordance with prior instructions, that in all communications relative to the above matter, copies of such communications should be designated for the Cincinnati and Chicago Bureau Field Divisions.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio,  
November 14, 1935.

Mr. F. J. Lange,  
Postmaster,  
Kelley's Island, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Lange:

- Re Brekid -

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this Bureau, it became necessary to obtain the facilities of the Post Office at Kelley's Island, Ohio, to render such assistance as was deemed necessary.

I have been advised by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and A. Dickstein, of this Bureau Office, of the excellent cooperation you have rendered to them in connection with such official investigation.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you for your kind cooperation and assistance in the above mentioned matter, which is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. H. J. McCLURE,  
GENERAL AGENT.

There are transmitted herewith two vouchers in favor of the Hertz Drivurself Stations, Toledo, Ohio, in the amounts of \$24.90 and \$10.50, which represents payment for the rental of automobiles by Special Agents of this Bureau.

You are advised that the rental of these machines was necessitated by the investigation being conducted by the Bureau in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping Case. It was necessary that certain persons be kept under constant surveillance and, there being no Government cars available, the rental of these machines was essential. This was the cheapest means of transportation available for the proper conducting of this investigation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
November 11th, 1936.

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the investigation to be conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to determine any and all persons responsible for having harbored Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell while they were in Hot Springs during the year of 1935, Agents Sullivan, Madala and myself have been going over, yesterday and today, the various files in the Little Rock Office which would give any information as to persons having knowledge of what the general situation is at Hot Springs, both as to the harboring situation and as to the possible corrupt conditions existing there between the police department and the criminal element which frequents this place, particularly during the winter season.

We do not intend at this time to take any direct, positive investigative action, as it is believed that this would immediately arouse the suspicions of persons against whom our investigation will be directed and would interfere with their free actions, particularly in telephonic communications. It is planned to place telephone taps on these individuals, as hereinafter indicated, for a reasonable period of time before taking any direct, investigative

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action. With this in mind we are assembling any and all possible information from the files here, particularly the KANMO and BREKID files, which will acquaint us with the various individuals who will be referred to as the telephone taps surveillance progresses.

With the above idea in mind and without disclosing to her the purpose of the investigation to be had at this time, on November 10th, 1936, at the Little Rock Bureau Office, I interviewed Grace Goldstein, Confidential Informant and it is believed that her attitude is entirely friendly and that she will insofar as possible, aid us in the investigation to be had in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that she is furnishing in most instances the entire truth as to various situations, however, there is a very definite possibility that she may be withholding certain intimate details as to situations and particularly regarding her knowledge as to whether or not Herbert Akers, Chief of Detectives, knew that Karpis and Campbell and others were in Hot Springs at the time they were there and actually harbored them at that time. Her statements at this time indicate that she has no information which would place "Dutch" Akers in the presence of Karpis, with a full knowledge of who Karpis was. With the idea in mind that Richard Galatas may have known that Karpis was in Hot Springs at the time in March, 1935, when he made an offer to deliver Elmer Lead to us for certain considerations for himself, Karpis having been referred to to a certain extent at that time, it was indicated to the Informant that Galatas knew Karpis was in there and that it was inconceivable that Galatas knowing this - Akers would not know it. The Informant was encouraged to cultivate Akers, particularly in conversations, he having been very cool toward her since the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, in order that she might encourage him as to confidences, as to what

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he knew about Karpis while he was in there and the Informant indicated her willingness to do this.

In connection with the corrupt set-up at Hot Springs, Arkansas, the Informant advises me that it is her opinion that Mayor Leo P. McLaughlin, City Judge Ledgerwood and the County Judge Witt, together with William S. Jacobs, are the "big four" controlling the corruption in the city, particularly as to controlling prostitution and gambling.

The Informant advises that it is her definite understanding that William S. Jacobs has complete control of the gambling at Hot Springs; that no one can operate a gambling place without his sanction; that practically all gambling is directly operated by Jacobs himself from his various places with little outside opposition and such outside oppositions being operated only with the sanction of Jacobs himself. The largest operation as to gambling, Night Clubs, et cetera, is the Belvedere Club, operated by William S. Jacobs and in fact, is the only one of its particular kind in the city, as it has the exclusive rights on this type of gambling - all types of gambling being operated in this place. In this connection, Mrs. Herbert Akers, wife of Herbert Akers, Chief of Detectives, works in the Belvedere gambling room as a shiller at \$5.00 per night. Jacobs also operates a gambling place over the Southern Grill; he also owns the Ohio Club, a gambling place and he also operates Millers Place, this latter being a cigar store, but also operates a book-making establishment. It is possible that he also has interests in other book-making places in Hot Springs.

As to prostitution, the Informant advises that she believes the pay-off would be to Mayor McLaughlin. While she did not say this positively, it is believed that she wanted to infer definitely that he is the man who collects, or at least allows houses of prostitution to operate. The Informant indicated that her establishment is probably the largest one of its



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kind at Hot Springs, but that she does not make a pay-off; that she understands there is a pay-off by other houses and when asked if the reason for her not paying off was that she had something on the Mayor, she would not commit herself as to this, but indicated by her attitude that such might be the case. The Informant advised that the next largest house of prostitution operated in Hot Springs is the Proctor House in the three hundred block on Central Avenue, operated by Mother Proctor, who has operated a house of prostitution at different addresses for a long period of time in Hot Springs. The Informant advised that the next house was that of Lillian Bahre, 809 1/2 Central Avenue; the next in order was that of Lillian Pearrow, 105 Prospect Street. The next in order of size is that of "Bessie", last name unknown at 708 1/2 Central Avenue. The next in order is reported to be the Star Rooms, operated by Ada Garner, 827 1/2 Central Avenue.

The Informant further advised in connection with gambling that she believed Johnnie Deacon, a cripple who walks on canes and is a well known character in Hot Springs, is the collector for Jacobs.

In connection with the police officials who would be responsible mostly for the corrupt conditions existing at Hot Springs and who might be closely associated personally, the Informant advised these would be Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers, Bob Moore and probably Cecil Brock of the Identification Unit. She advised that it is the general opinion that McLaughlin, the Chief of Police, does not obtain a fair share of the pay-off and that Akers and McLaughlin dominate him and that it is a matter of him going along without a fair return or share in such operations in order to keep his position.

She indicated that "Dutch" Akers and others gave a banquet for Xuciano when

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he was in Hot Springs during the past season; that Akers has a rather extensive country home, known as Akers' Acres, which is reached by going out the Malvern road about two miles beyond the Woodcock home where Karpis and the others had a hideout and turn to the right about one mile on a side road. The Informant advised that she discussed with Akers during the Summer of 1935 the matter of going out to live at his place above indicated; that no discussion was had as to just what would be paid in the way of rental, but at that time, although she did not discuss it with Akers, she planned on taking the boys with her, namely, Karpis and Hunter, who would have lived with her and Connie Morris at such place.

As to the residence of the boys at the place known as Dyers' Landing, she advised that she and Connie Morris lived with Hunter and Karpis at this address up until the week the place was searched by Agent Dameron and another Agent. In this connection she advised that the place, as she recalls, was searched on October 5th, 1935, Saturday; that, however, Alvin Karpis and George, the latter being Harry Campbell, had left the place on either Thursday or Friday, October 3rd or 4th, 1935 and gone to some unknown destination; that Fred Hunter and Sam Coker were also in Hot Springs at this time and stayed the night of October 4th at her house and left for some unknown destination about 3:00 A. M., October 5th, 1935; that sometime during the morning of Saturday, October 5th, 1935, she went out to Dyers' Landing in order to thoroughly clean this place up, which she did; that the green Chevrolet Coupe seen at this place was her car and that it is her understanding that about one hour after she left, Agent Dameron and another Agent went to the place and searched it for fingerprints. She, however, definitely stated, subsequent to the night indicated, "Dutch" Akers had advised her that her thumb print had been found on a mirror in this house. It is my understanding that a smudge was located on a mirror at this place, but not of sufficient clearness to be a latent fingerprint which could be identified. Akers knew of this and it

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evidently was this information which was conveyed to her by Akers, as Akers accompanied Agents to the house and he would be the only one, with the exception of Cecil Brock, who also accompanied them to the place, outside of the Bureau Agents, who would know of this fingerprint. It is definitely known that this information as to the fingerprint was conveyed by Alvin Karpis to Edith Barry at Toledo, Ohio, Grace Goldstein having advised Karpis, apparently, of the finding of the print. They, of course, were of the opinion that this was a print that could be identified. Hunter and Coker had had a big party at the Informant's house the night before they left and it is not believed that either Hunter or Coker returned to the place at Dyers' Landing. It was also sometime in the future before Karpis returned to Hot Springs and evidently his return was subsequent to the Garrettsville Train Robbery on November 7th, 1935. Hunter, however, from time to time would return to Hot Springs and bring her notes and communications from Karpis, during the period he was away.

As to the manner in which Karpis and Hunter first contacted her, she indicated that this possibly resulted from the fact that in 1930 Hunter had been treated by Dr. P. Z. Browne, 702 Medical Arts Building, Hot Springs, for a social disease and thereafter returned to Hot Springs in 1935 for additional treatments and somebody at that time furnished the name and address of the Informant to Karpis and Hunter, who appeared at her place - 123 Palm Street, and asked for her, which initiated her association with Karpis and Hunter. She indicates that after the Garrettsville Train Robbery, Hunter and Milton Lett came to Hot Springs to her place on a number of occasions, she at that time being located at her place on 3rd Street.

As to the probability that Morris B. Loftis, whom she refers to as Morris, the care taker

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at the place at Dyers' Landing, advising Karpis of the search of this place, she does not know just what he told Karpis, but evidently he advised her of the situation and she indicated that this party is still working as a care taker at Dyers' Landing. This is the individual who advised her that Agent Damron and another Agent had been to the place just shortly after she departed from same, when she cleaned it up on the morning of October 5th, 1935. The Informant indicated that she knows Luciano, but was never at a party given for him; that she cannot recall any party which she and Karpis attended, given by "Dutch" Akers, or attended by "Dutch" Akers, although it is her definite understanding that Akers did give one or more parties for Frank Nash, or at least Akers attended parties given for Frank Nash and on these occasions Akers' companion was a prostitute-Lola, last name unknown, who worked out of the house of the Informant. She indicated that Lola has been away from Hot Springs for the last two years and she does not know her present address.

In connection with the report that two men had seen Karpis at a grocery store in the vicinity of Dyers' Landing and reported this to the Hot Springs Police in October, 1935, she advised that she believes the person responsible for making this report was one Wilson, who lives nearby and who also operates Wilson's Tavern, at which place she and Karpis drank considerable beer; that Wilson was angry at Karpis because Karpis would practice shooting around the ducks of Wilson which were swimming in the lake, in order to frighten them. The Informant, continuing her statement that she did not believe she could place Akers in the presence of Karpis, knowing that he was Alvin Karpis, indicated, however, that "Dutch" Akers had over a considerable period of time, seen her, the Informant, in her car with Karpis and Hunter in the car, driving about the city.

The Informant has indicated a willingness to cooperate and will in the future endeavor to obtain as much information as possible as

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to this situation and the general situation at Hot Springs and furnish this information to me in the future when I next interview her.

In connection with our possible telephone surveillance on certain of these individuals, to be set up in Hot Springs, the real active season at Hot Springs starts sometime in January. The persons I have in mind for consideration as to this will be Leo P. McLaughlin, the Mayor, who has an office in the City Hall, telephone #648, residence - Kingsway Hotel, Broadway and Spring Street, where he has a private telephone #3891. He also has an office, as an attorney, in the Arkansas National Bank, telephone #371. The home address of William S. Jacobs, who operates the Belvedere Club, on the Little Rock Highway, will have to be obtained later and the possibility as to the Belvedere Club considered after we have determined the definite set-up as to this. The home address of Akers and his wife will be determined if they spend any time in the city, other than at their Country Place, however, it is indicated that Akers spends most of his time about the police station and various places in the city during the evening, it being noted that his wife works at the Belvedere Club each evening. Joseph Wakelin, of course, lives at home with his wife and can be readily located and it is not believed that he spends as much time away from his home as in the case of Akers.

The situation as to City Judge Ledgerwood and County Judge Witt will be determined and the possibilities of this considered. The Police Department at Hot Springs, Arkansas, telephone #123, probably operates on this one telephone. It is believed that considerable contacts had with either Akers or Wakelin would be through the Police Department. The major operations would probably be between the various individuals and Mayor McLaughlin and William S. Jacobs. With this idea in mind we will concentrate first on the possibility of whether or not we can establish a

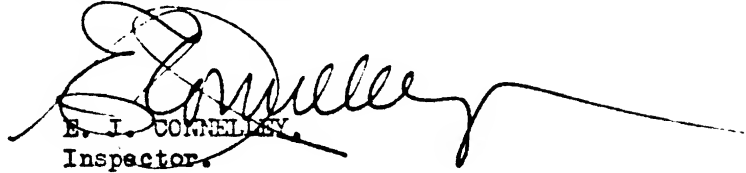
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telephone tap on the telephone where Jacobs is located most of his time during the day and night and the same as to Mayor McLaughlin.

Agents Sullivan and Madala will confidentially and discreetly determine the set-up as to the possibility of making a tap on these two individuals and will endeavor to obtain suitable quarters, after which it will be necessary to use two Agents out of the Little Rock Office, but preferably Agents from outside who are not known, to man the surveillance on each tap in question. These Agents will keep in touch with Special Agent in Charge John B. Little, as to the work being carried on in order that he may cooperate, advise and counsel with them from time to time, however, they will keep me intimately advised of any major operation to be carried out here, after they have determined where a tap can be placed and the possibility of successfully placing a tap which will not be detected by the person whose phone is tapped.

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. CONNELLEY  
Inspector.

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*Edward J. Connelley - Sure tapping*

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- Mr. Glavin
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- Miss Gandy

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PHONE. BREXID. SITUATION AT HOT SPRINGS REQUIRES MAN FAMILIAR WITH  
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JONES TO LEAVE CHICAGO TONIGHT. AGENT SULLIVAN WILL ARRANGE CONTACT TO GET  
THE INFORMATION AND INDICATE THE POSSIBLE SETUP. WHEN DEFINITE TELEPHONE  
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November 17, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID.

In connection with the above entitled case, I wish to call attention to the fact that the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, preserves its records for only three years, and at the end of the present year will destroy the records pertaining to automobile registrations during 1934.

If any 1934 records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles will be necessary in the further prosecution of this case, it is suggested that appropriate arrangements should be made to have these records preserved so that there will be no possibility of such records being destroyed in the regular course of business prior to the time they may be needed.

Very truly yours,

cc Bureau  
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E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box #2118  
Detroit, Michigan  
November 17, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

**Dear Sir:**

Referring to Bureau letter of November 9, 1936 (7-576) there are enclosed herewith photostatic copies of the following outgoing correspondence written by Dolores Delaney at the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, in order that the Technical Laboratory may be supplied with specimens of her handwriting:

1. Letter addressed "My Darling Alvin," dated "August letter," reading: "I've just heard about your sentence \* \* "
2. Letter addressed "Dear Mr. & Mrs. Karpis," dated August 20, 1936, reading: "I have been waiting to write you \* \* "
3. Letter addressed "Dear Mr. & Mrs. Karpis," dated September 9, 1936, reading: "I just received a letter from Clara \* \* "

These represent the Detroit Field Division file copies of these letters.

Very truly yours,

Harold H. Rennie

Herold H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Letter dated August 20-36 beginning: "I have been waiting--", consisting of three photostatic sheets.

Letter dated Sept. 9-36 beginning: "I just received a--", consisting of three photostatic sheets.

Examination requested by: Detroit

Date received: 11-19-36 jwp 4:00 PM 11/23

Examination requested: Document

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Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The attached is a draft of the suggested press release concerning the arrests to be made at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, for the harboring of various fugitives in the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping cases. Details concerning the exact identity of the persons apprehended, places of apprehension, etc., will be added to the release when it is prepared for the press.

Respectfully,  
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E. A. Tamm.

Enclosure.

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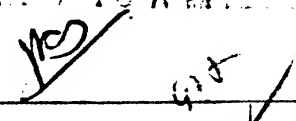
REPORT MADE AT <b>ATLANTA, GEORGIA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-16-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11-12, 13-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. E. OVERSTREET.</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1323, et al. Edward George Bremer - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Jack Hollis, Macon, Georgia, states he never knew Benson Groves.</b>			
<b>RUC.</b>			
REFERENCE: <b>Reports of Special Agent L. C. Taylor, Atlanta, 10-31-36 and 11-6-36. Letter from Atlanta to Cleveland, 10-17-36.</b>			
DETAILS: <b>Jack Hollis, 820 Main Street, East Macon, Macon, Georgia, stated he has never known or heard of anyone going by the name of Benson Groves or Grayson, and that if Groves stayed at the Obelisk Fountain home, it must have been before he went there on December 1, 1932, as prior to that time he did not stay with the Fountains.</b>			
<b>Mrs. Jack Hollis, who was interviewed on November 12, in the absence of Mr. Hollis, stated she did not know anyone named Benjamin Grayson, Benson Groves or Benson.</b>			
<b>REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.</b>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. E. Conroy</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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REPORT MADE AT <b>Kansas City</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-16-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11-12-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. B. BROWN</b> <span style="float: right;">SW</span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE; I. O. 1232, Et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:      No record of registration of Ford Deluxe Coupe, Model 1935, Motor #18-1615253, at Missouri State Motor Vehicle Department, Jefferson City, Missouri.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE:      Letter from the Cleveland Office dated 9-19-36.</p> <p>DETAILS:      A careful check of the records at the Missouri State Motor Vehicle Department, Jefferson City, Missouri, fails to show that 1935 Model Ford Deluxe Coupe, Motor #18-1615253, was ever registered in the State of Missouri. It should be further noted that it is impossible to place stop notices at the Missouri State Motor Vehicle Department, because of their system of filing, as they do not check application for title when received against either the motor number of the car or the name of the owner.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>P E N D I N G</b></p>			
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
629 First National Bank Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska.  
November 17, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: Re: BREXID.

As of possible interest to the Bureau, there is enclosed a clipping taken from the Omaha Bee News, November the 16th, 1936, which indicates that Jess Doyle will be given a hearing in an attempt to obtain a parole. The news item indicates that the Pardon Board will give Doyle a hearing. It reflects that this is being done at the request of Inspectors of the Postal Service, in a deal in which apparently Doyle has agreed to furnish them with information that will clear up a mail messenger holdup.

Very truly yours,

*R. A. ALT*  
R. A. ALT,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 17, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

On November 16, 1936, together with Special Agent E. J. Wynn, a conference was had with United States Attorney Emerich B. Freed, Cleveland, Ohio, as to his change of plans as to when the Grand Jury action would be had as to the harboring case at Toledo. At this time he indicated that the judge of the Eastern Division of the Northern District of Ohio, Mr. West, had insisted upon a Grand Jury immediately, indicating that otherwise it would not be possible due to the absence of the judge in the district, to have a Grand Jury until some time in February 1937.

He indicated that this would require his presenting the Garrettsville mail train robbery case on November 17, 1936, which would require two days; that he had in mind also to present the White Slave Traffic Act case involving Ardell Quinn, on November 23, 1936; that thereafter he had a Home Owners Loan Corporation case which require considerable of his time, and that consistent with handling all of the above cases, as now planned, he would arrange to proceed and be at Toledo on the morning of November 30, 1936, and desired to have at least Special Agent E. J. Wynn available with him in going over the details of the harboring charges and determining definitely which of these he would be justified in issuing warrants for the arrests of such individuals; that everything working out as he planned it above, we would be ready to make arrests of the various subjects in the harboring case on December 5, 1936; that thereafter he would arrange to have a Grand Jury during possibly the coming week following Saturday, December 5, 1936.

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Mr. Freed indicated that in connection with the indictment returned in the Garrettsville mail robbery, this would be a secret indictment for the time being at least, or possibly until NOV 18 1936

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as Groves is apprehended, the fifth man in the train robbery; that he expected to include in the indictment as to the train robbery, Benson Groves, Joe Roscoe, John Zetzer, and Fred Hunter, also Karpis and Campbell; that, however, in the subsequent trial of this case, due to the sentences now being served by Karpis and Campbell, he did not expect to request their return here for trial with the other individuals. He indicated that he did not expect to call witnesses Lou Poole or Margaret Ball, as previously indicated, in connection with the Grand Jury action as to this case.

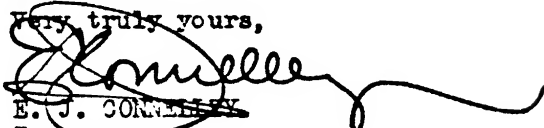
It was suggested to United States Attorney Freed that it is believed serious consideration should be given to the matter of placing the harboring case on trial first in order that he might have the advantage of any and all possible witnesses, which might develop and could be of assistance to him later in the Garrettsville train robbery. It was indicated to him that we believe this desirable for that reason and he indicated that he would give this serious consideration and discuss the same further with us at a later date.

Mr. Freed advised that he has put in considerable time on our summary reports as to this and that he has one hundred pages yet to read, inasmuch as he is giving this very careful attention, and incidental to his consideration of these reports he believes the Bureau is to be congratulated on the careful and efficient manner in which these reports were set up; that in his opinion these were the best reports he has seen during the periods he has served as Prosecuting Attorney and United States Attorney.

The above confirms my telephone conversation with you as of November 16, 1936.

EJC/EJB  
CC - Chicago  
- Cincinnati

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. CONNELLEY  
Inspector.

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Please refer to the report of Special Agent L. C. Taylor, Atlanta, Georgia, dated November 6, 1936, setting out data with reference to the correspondence of Benson Groves, while he was confined in the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, from 1917 to 1920.

It is to be observed that the Chief of Police at Bellaire, Ohio, requested photographs of Benson Groves and one John Haley, and that Groves wrote several letters to individuals in Bellaire, Ohio, and Martins Ferry, Ohio, and also received letters from individuals apparently residing at these places, as well as from one Ida B. Groves, Dayton, Ohio.

It is respectfully requested that you conduct an investigation in order to determine whether or not Benson Groves is presently in contact with any of the aforementioned correspondents.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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1449 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 18, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

In a recent interview with John Brock by Agents of this office in connection with his participation in the Garrettsville mail train robbery on November 7, 1935, and also in connection with the harboring situation in existence in the Northern District of Ohio, Brock stated that on one occasion he recalled he overheard Alvin Karpis talking with John F. "Sharkey" Gorman about the publicity accorded to Jess Doyle's purported confession and some discussion was had regarding whether Jess Doyle knew about the gang's contacts in Cleveland; that apparently, in view of the foregoing, they temporarily suspended activities in connection with the contemplated robbery of the mail truck, which was later perpetrated at Warren, Ohio, on April 25, 1935.

It is deemed advisable to ascertain whether or not such a purported confession of Jess Doyle was given any publicity in the Cleveland, Ohio, newspapers, and in connection with this a search of the Cleveland newspapers from March 15th to April 15, 1935 failed to disclose any Associated Press dispatch.

Contact with Mr. Arthur Bostwick of the Associated Press in Cleveland disclosed that if such a dispatch was released by the Associated Press in St. Paul, that they would have a file in the St. Paul office in this connection and would be able to ascertain whether or not this dispatch was released for publication and whether or not same had been published in Cleveland. Mr. Bostwick stated in this connection that in the event the fact of publication of such an article was not mentioned relative to Cleveland, Ohio, that the trunk line letter and the number of the communication should be obtained from the files in an effort to facilitate the search in the Cleveland office of the Associated Press.

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It is respectfully requested that the Associated Press at St. Paul be contacted to ascertain whether or not any such article of a purported confession of Jess Doyle in connection with the Fairbury, Nebraska and Third Northwestern bank robberies had been released prior to the perpetration of the Warren, Ohio mail truck robbery on April 25, 1935. This is desired in order to corroborate the statement of John Brock in this connection.

It is also respectfully requested that this matter be expedited inasmuch as this matter will be brought before the Grand Jury in the Northern District of Ohio, in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 1469  
Little Rock, Arkansas  
November 16, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
New Orleans, Louisiana

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

A review of the files in the Little Rock Field Division fail to reflect any report or indication covering the interview had with Connie Morris, alias Ruth Hamm, at the time she was apprehended by Bureau agents at New Orleans on May 1, 1936.

Inasmuch as it is believed that the information provided by Connie Morris will be of value in the contemplated harboring investigation at Hot Springs, Arkansas, under the supervision of Inspector E. J. Connelley, it is requested that you forward to this office at once a copy of the report or communication covering the interview had with this woman.

Very truly yours,

JOHN B. LITTLE  
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Telford  
Mr. Winterrowd  
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Mr. Holloman  
Miss Gandy

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As a result of an investigation conducted by the Bureau at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, it is contemplated that the following named individuals will be arrested in the near future for the harboring of Alvin Karpis and Arthur "Doc" Barker:

BERT ANGUS: This individual during the year 1934 was associated with his brother, Ted Angus, in the operation of a roadhouse known as the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio, which is a suburb of Toledo. Bert Angus was formerly associated with William J. Harrison in the operation of a saloon in Calumet City, Illinois, and it appears that it was through Harrison that Karpis and other members of the mob made their first contacts in Toledo, Ohio. Members of the gang were making contacts at the Casino Club with Bert Angus as early as January 27, 1934, when William J. Harrison, Wynona Burdette and Edna Murray travelled from Chicago, Illinois, to Toledo, Ohio, to secure license plates for an automobile. It will be noted that this trip to Toledo was made during the time Mr. Bremer was being held a kidnap victim.

Bert Angus on March 21, 1934, introduced Harry Campbell as George Winfield at the Jess J. Ellis Motor Sales Company, Toledo, Ohio, and also assisted the members of the gang in securing other cars and also renting apartments. The members of the gang who frequented the Casino Club are as follows:

Alvin Karpis  
Fred Barker  
Arthur "Doc" Barker  
Volney Davis  
William Weaver  
Oliver A. Berg  
William J. Harrison  
Russell Gibson.

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Dr. Joseph P. Moran  
Harry Campbell  
Edna Murray  
Wynona Burdette  
Dolores Delaney  
Myrtle Eaton  
Charles J. Fitzgerald.  
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While at the Casino Club, members of the gang displayed large sums of money and on two occasions, firearms were displayed. While frequenting the club, the gang was very rowdy and on one occasion William Harrison became intoxicated and disrobed on the dance floor. The actions of the gang were countenanced by Bert Angus, as well as his brother, Ted.

According to the records of the Identification Division, Bert Angus was arrested on November 13, 1931, as a bank robbery suspect by the state police at Jonesville, Michigan. He was later turned over to the state police at Indianapolis, Indiana, on the charge of robbing a bank at Kendallville, Indiana. Bert Angus, however, was not prosecuted on this charge. This appears to be the only criminal record for Bert Angus.

TED ANGUS: This individual, as previously stated, was during 1934 operating the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio, with his brother, Bert. Ted Angus also fronted for members of the gang in securing apartments in Toledo. Ted Angus was intimately associated with members of the gang and on various occasions visited Harry Campbell's home at Point Place, Ohio. He saw to it that special service was extended to the members of the gang at the Casino Club. He also permitted members of the gang to go riding at various times during the summer of 1934 in his speedboat, and in general afforded them protection while the mob was in Toledo and vicinity.

Bert and Ted Angus during January, 1935, were operating what is known as the New Casino Club on the outskirts of Toledo

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and it was to this place that Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis proceeded after escaping from Atlantic City, New Jersey, on January 20, 1935. Bert and Ted Angus no longer operate the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio, but are now operating the New Casino Club, above-mentioned.

Ted Angus on December 8, 1919, was received at the State Prison, Columbus, Ohio, to serve an indeterminate sentence from one to seven years for grand larceny. During prohibition, Ted Angus was a bootlegger and as a result of these activities, he was received at the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, on August 1, 1929, to serve a sentence of 18 months for conspiracy and violation of the National Prohibition Act.

CAPTAIN GEORGE TIMINEY:

This individual is a member of the Toledo Police Department and has been connected with that Department for almost twenty years, and it is said that he will be eligible for retirement in a few months. George Timiney, during the administration of Mayor Solon Klotz of Toledo during the years 1934-35, was head of the so-called hoodlum squad and charged with the duty of apprehending and investigating gangsters. Timiney was closely associated with Ted Angus in the collection of graft from houses of prostitution in Toledo during this period. As a result of his close association with Ted Angus, Timiney was a frequent visitor at the Casino Club and while at the Casino Club associated with various members of the Karpis-Barker gang and made no attempt to cause their apprehension.

RUTH WELLS: This woman during the year 1934 was living with Ted Angus at 4209 N. Lockwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. She was a frequent visitor at the Casino Club and also at the house occupied by Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette at Point Place, Ohio. She was intimately associated with various members of the gang and on May 25, 1934, she introduced Wynona Burdette to Dr. Fred Douglass of Toledo, Ohio and made the necessary arrangements for Wynona Burdette to enter St. Vincent's Hospital at Toledo, Ohio. Ruth Wells is presently residing in Detroit, Michigan, and she will be arrested at that place.

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MADLINE ANGUS: This individual is the wife of Bert Angus and was closely associated with various members of the gang at the time they were frequenting the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio. She was very friendly with both the men and women members of the gang.

RENE HOLST: This woman is the sister of Madeline Angus and Thelma Holst. She likewise was intimately associated with both the men and women members of the Karpis-Barker gang and was in their company frequently at the Casino Club. Rene Holst until recently was residing with Lucian Fleming, 2301 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, but it is believed that she is presently with Fleming in Cleveland, Ohio, and it is probable that her arrest will take place in that city.

THELMA HOLST: This woman, as previously stated, is the sister of Madeline Angus and Rene Holst, and with her sisters she frequented the Casino Club and was intimately associated with members of the gang at that place. Thelma Holst is presently residing at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and it is contemplated that her arrest will take place in that city.

LUCIAN FLEMING: This individual was formerly connected with the Department of Liquor Control of the State of Ohio as an Inspector from April 30, 1934, to November 19, 1935, and during the year 1934, he was a frequent visitor at the Casino Club, Point Place, Ohio, and was at that time keeping company with Rene Holst, although he was a married man. Lucian Fleming associated with members of the gang at the Casino Club and also endeavored to sell them a speedboat which he owned. He permitted members of the gang to use this boat for their pleasure. Lucian Fleming was a close friend to both George Timiney and Ted Angus.

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COLIN MUNRO, alias COOLIE MONROE: This man was an employee at the Casino Club in the summer of 1934 and observed various members of the Karpis-Barker gang at that place. He also was employed during the summer of 1934 at a place known as Middle Island, which is located in Canadian waters and is a resort operated by Joe Roscoe. Munro was the individual who on or about January 22, 1935, communicated with Frank Greenwald, a taxi driver at Toledo, Ohio, and requested Greenwald to proceed to LaSalle, Michigan, for the purpose of picking up Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell after they had abandoned the automobile which they had stolen from Dr. Hunsicker, kidnapped by them en route from their escape from Atlantic City, New Jersey, to Toledo, Ohio. Colin Munro is presently located on Middle Island, but it is expected that he will return to Toledo in the near future, at which place he will be arrested.

Colin Munro on April 30, 1930, was arrested by the United States Marshal at Toledo, Ohio, and thereafter was sentenced to serve 6 months at Canton, Ohio, for violation of the National Prohibition Act. On November 5, 1931, he was received at the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, to serve a sentence of one year and one day for violation of the National Prohibition Act.

FRANK P. GREENWALD:

This individual is the operator of the Private Cab Company in Toledo, Ohio and the majority of his business is obtained from persons of the underworld class. As previously stated, Greenwald assisted Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell subsequent to their escape from Atlantic City. He also, subsequent thereto, drove Harry Campbell from Ed McGraw's place, 2011½ Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, to Edith Barry's place in Toledo.

ED AND CLARA MCGRAW: These persons operated what is known as a "call" house in Toledo, Ohio, and it was at this place Harry Campbell became acquainted with Gertrude Billiter, whom he later married.

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Alvin Karpis and Milton Lett were also visitors at the McGraw Apartment in October, 1935. Alvin Karpis also spent the night with Harry Campbell at the McGraw Apartment on November 5, 1935, two days prior to the robbery of the mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio.

JOE ROSCOE: The wife of Joe Roscoe owns the property on which the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio, was located. During the summer of 1934 Roscoe was a visitor at the Casino Club during the time members of the gang were in that place. As previously stated, Joe Roscoe has an interest in Middle Island and also operates what is known as the 42nd Street Cafe in Toledo, Ohio. Roscoe also is said to have an interest in the Joval Club, a gambling house in Toledo. He is a close friend of Ted and Bert Angus and George Timiney. Roscoe is involved with Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and John Brock in the robbery of the mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, and was at Port Clinton, Ohio with them at the time the proceeds of the robbery were divided and received a share of the loot. Joe Roscoe was a frequent visitor at the house of Edith Barry in Toledo, Ohio, subsequent to the escape of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell from Atlantic City, at which time these two individuals found refuge at the Barry home. At Cleveland, Ohio, in March, 1935, Roscoe with John Gorman attempted to arrange a hideout for Karpis and Campbell to be used after the mail robbery at Warren, Ohio, which was perpetrated on April 25, 1935.

JOHN F. "SHARKEY" GORMAN: This man is an employee of the Harvard Club, a gambling house operated by Art Hebebrand and James Patton at Newburgh Heights, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland. He has been employed as a dealer and doorman for the past four years.

Some time between March 23, 1935, and March 26, 1935, John Brock made a trip to Cleveland, Ohio, at the request of Alvin Karpis, contacted Gorman at the Harvard Club relative to Gorman's making a trip to Toledo to see Karpis. As a result of this contact, Gorman visited Karpis and Campbell at the house of Edith Barry at Toledo. Gorman with Joe Roscoe in March, 1935, visited numerous buildings in Cleveland in an effort to find a hideout for Karpis and Harry Campbell.

ARTHUR HEBEBRAND: This individual operates a gambling joint known as the Harvard Club, at Newburgh Heights, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland. Karpis, Fred Barker and other members of the gang frequented this Club during the year 1934, and Karpis and Harry Campbell frequented it during the year 1935. Hebebrand also had meetings with Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis at a place known as the Twilight Inn in the spring of 1935. On one occasion, about the time of the mail robbery at Warren, Ohio, April 24, 1935, Hebebrand had a conference with Karpis at the Twilight Inn. Hebebrand, when interviewed in connection with the Bureau's efforts to locate Karpis, emphatically denied he knew him.

ANTHONY AMERSBACH: This individual is likewise an employee of the Harvard Club, and associated with Karpis and Campbell both at the Harvard Club and at the Twilight Inn. He is an ex-convict, having served an indeterminate sentence in the State Reformatory at Garrettsville, Ohio.

*E. A. Tamm*

1130 Enquirer Building,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

JAC:GOG  
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November 18, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID.

Reference is made to your letter dated November 11, 1936, wherein you request that certain information be obtained from the Department of Liquor Control, Columbus, Ohio, in reference to one Wayne Preston.

Please be advised that Special Agent J. A. Cimperman of this office contacted Mr. E. S. Cullison, Assistant Chief Inspector, State of Ohio Liquor Control Department, 174 4th Street, Columbus, Ohio, and he stated that Wayne Preston formerly worked for four years for the Ohio State Prohibition Department, and that after that department was abolished by repeal of the 18th Amendment, Preston went into the Department of Liquor Control of the State of Ohio. He also ascertained from the employment record that Preston worked in the capacity of Inspector for the latter department from April 10, 1934, until March 31, 1935, on which date he was discharged by the Chief Inspector for being involved in a lot of shady dealing although they were never able to pin anything on him. His dismissal therefore was considered as an act necessary for the betterment of the Department. The employment record did not contain any other information.

Mr. Cullison also stated that Preston was formerly a partner of L. C. Fleming but he was unable to state in what counties they worked together. He also stated that Preston was a very shrewd and clever man and was of the type who wanted to get rich and have plenty of money but was unable to state how far he would go to get it. He further stated that he had been involved in numerous shady transactions with both the liquor departments and that their office had received a lot of complaints concerning him but they were unable to get anything on him and had to dismiss him merely as a matter of ethics.

Mr. Cullison further stated that he does not have any information where Preston is at the present time although he has heard a rumor, source unknown, to the effect that he was in Florida, at which

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place he allegedly instituted divorce proceedings against his wife. Whether or not a divorce has been granted there or in Columbus, Ohio, is unknown to him.

In reference to his family history, Mr. Cullison stated that Preston was born in Warsaw, Ohio, and that he has several relatives by that name living there at the present time. He also stated that he has an uncle, William McGruger, living in West Carlisle, Ohio, and that his father, Albert Preston, who is a retired high school teacher, is living in Delaware, Ohio. His mother is deceased. He also stated that it is very improbable that his father would know of his whereabouts because they did not get along together, and that in the event his father did know of his whereabouts, he would not hesitate to disclose same to Agents as he bears a good reputation in that community.

Mr. Cullison also stated that he does not know if Preston belonged to any clubs either in or out of Columbus and the only occupation he knows of that Preston pursued before entering the Prohibition Department was that of an insurance man. He also advised that they had no other records in their department concerning Preston. An attempt was also made to locate his application blank but without success, it being possible that he was not required to fill one out and was merely appointed on the strength of his prior experience with the Prohibition Department, by Mr. Matthews, under whom he formerly worked and who was also in charge of the State Liquor Department at the time of his employment. Mr. Matthews is now deceased and was succeeded by Mr. A. Humphrey, the present Chief Inspector.

Mr. Cullison also gave Agent a photograph of Preston, taken in 1934, at which time he gave his address as 1100 Oakwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio. He requested that same be returned after it has served its purpose. An appropriate receipt for same was signed by Agent Cimperman. This is transmitted to your office herewith.

Mr. Cullison described Preston as follows:

Age	41
Height	5'9" - 10"
Weight	190 - 200 lbs.
Hair	Black
Peculiarities	Is a very bad speller although is capable of writing a very intelligent letter.

It has been ascertained on previous investigations that all the records for the Prohibition Department have been destroyed several years ago.

Mr. Alfred Humphrey, Chief Inspector, State of Ohio Liquor Control Department, was also interviewed and he stated that he knew Preston as an inspector for the Prohibition Department, for which department he also worked as an Inspector, and that even at that time he continuously heard rumors of the unethical tactics employed by Preston in the discharge of his duties, but as to how far he had gone beyond his authority he was never able to ascertain. He also stated that he heard these rumors when working as an Inspector of the Liquor Control Department, and several of the liquor dealers, after Prohibition, made complaints to him concerning Preston but he was unable to get anything on him, as he was very clever and shrewd and covered everything up. He also stated that immediately upon his appointment as Chief Inspector, succeeding Mr. Matthews, in April, 1934, his first official act was to discharge Preston for his unethical tactics and for the betterment of the department.

Mr. Humphrey also stated that he heard from Mr. Cullison that Preston was last heard of about a year ago as being in Florida, where he allegedly was going to divorce his wife. He was also questioned further but he was unable to give any additional information than already obtained from Mr. Cullison, with the exception of stating that Preston has an uncle by the name of Gamble, who is a clothing salesman in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

An examination was also made of the records of the Court of Domestic Relations, Clerk's Office, Court House, Columbus, Ohio, but they had no record of a divorce action being filed by either Preston or his wife in Franklin County, Columbus, Ohio.

At the Ohio State Bureau of Motor Vehicles, 275 S. 4th St., Columbus, Ohio, it was ascertained from the records that a 1933 Oldsmobile Sedan, Motor No. F-341322, Ohio license (1934) 2-682, was registered to E. W. Preston, 1104 Oakwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio, for the year 1934. There were no other registrations under that name for that year (1934).

This same car was again registered to E. W. Preston, 1106 Oakwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio, for the year 1935 and bore 1935 Ohio license plates #8 WP. On February 16, 1935, this car was sold to the Weidner Motor Sales Co., Loudenville, Ohio, and from whom he purchased a new Oldsmobile Sedan, Motor No. F-407748. The old plates (1935) 8 WP were transferred to this new car but same were later reported stolen and new 1935 plates VC 397 were issued. The 1935 Application Registration Blank for this car described same as a 1935 Oldsmobile Sedan, Motor No. F-407748, Serial No. 3-105750, bearing 1935 Ohio license VC 397, and registered to E. W. Preston, 1106 Oakwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio, on April 17, 1935. This car was

purchased new from the above company in Loudenville, Ohio, on January 15, 1935, and the bill of sale #58049 is on record at the County Clerk's Office, Columbus, Ohio. There also appeared a notation on this registration blank that the certificate of registration was mailed to Preston in care of the Anthony Wayne Hotel, Akron, Ohio, on April 19, 1935. There is no record that this car was ever transferred nor is there a 1936 registration for this car in the State of Ohio.

The files also disclosed a 1935 registration of a 1931 Plymouth Coupe, Motor No. 251678, 1935 Ohio license H 633 B, to Wayne Preston, 90 S. Birch St., Akron, Ohio. This car was again registered by this same party for 1936, bearing 1936 plates B 630 H, with the address as 59 S. Cooleage St., Akron, Ohio.

In 1936, a W. E. Preston, Pearl Street, Marietta, Ohio, registered a 1927 Essex Sedan, Motor No. 696039, 1936 Ohio license K 315 V. Another W. E. Preston, 2524 8th Street, N.W., Canton, Ohio, registered for 1936 a 1928 Ford Coupe, Motor No. 542464, 1936 license H 700 U, and a 1935 Lafayette Coupe, Motor #LE-21671, the latter of which was also registered by him in 1935.

The July, 1935, Columbus Ohio Telephone Directory discloses that Anne I. Preston, apparently the wife of Wayne Preston, is still residing at 1106 Oakwood Ave., telephone Garfield 4-25. This was verified at the U. S. Post Office.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc to Chicago

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 17, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: B-EKID

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 10, 1936 (87-160) suggesting the possibility of calling Clara and Edward McGraw before the Grand Jury for the purpose of securing their statements to the effect that Alvin Karpis never visited their house, under oath in order to lay the basis for subsequent perjury charges in the event the United States Attorney elected to prosecute the McGraws.

Please be advised that Clara and Edward McGraw are considered at this time as defendants in the harboring situation at Toledo, and evidence as to their activities is to be presented to the Grand Jury; therefore, under the circumstances Clara and Edward McGraw will not be called before the Grand Jury.

Very truly yours,

EJW/EJB

CC - Chicago  
- Cincinnati

*J. P. MacFarland*  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

November 17, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated November 13, 1936 (7-576) requesting that the Bureau should be immediately furnished with all information concerning Wayne Preston, who is thought to be the fugitive in connection with the robbery of the mail truck at Warren, Ohio, on April 25, 1935.

Please be advised that [redacted] at Toledo, Ohio, furnished the original information to the effect that Lucian C. Fleming, former state prohibition officer, told him that Wayne Preston was involved in the robbery of the mail truck at Warren, Ohio, in company with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and as a result, Preston is presently in Cuba on the "lam." The substance of the information furnished by [redacted] is contained in the letter from the Cleveland Bureau field division to the Cincinnati Bureau field division dated November 11, 1936. b7d

As indicated in the last mentioned letter we are endeavoring to secure photographs of Wayne Preston for the purpose of having him identified by witnesses.

[redacted] is also endeavoring to obtain more specific information with reference to Wayne Preston, and it is possible that he can obtain considerable data with reference to this individual inasmuch as Mildred Kuhlman, who, it is to be noted, formerly lived with Preston. [redacted]

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The Bureau will be kept advised of all developments as to Wayne Preston.

Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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CC - Cincinnati  
- Chicago

404 New York Building  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
November 18, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

B R K I D

Reference is being made to letter from the Cleveland Division dated November 14, 1936, relative to the securing of certified copies of certain indictments and bench warrants to be used in connection with the harboring trial as to certain individuals who harbored the Barker-Karpis gang in the northern district of Ohio.

Through Mr. George Helsey, Assistant United States Attorney in St. Paul, certified copies of the following indictments and bench warrants were secured and are being forwarded herewith:

Indictment returned by the U. S. Grand Jury, St. Paul, on May 4, 1934, charging Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, John J. McLaughlin, and others, with conspiracy to kidnap and transport in interstate commerce and hold for \$200,000 ransom Edward George Bremer, on or about January 17, 1934;

Bench warrant dated May 7, 1934, issued against Alvin Karpis, with non est return thereon dated May 7, 1934;

Bench warrant dated May 4, 1934, issued for Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, with no non est return thereon;

Bench warrant dated May 4, 1936, issued for Roy Gray and Izzie, bearing no non est return thereon;

Indictment returned by the United States Grand Jury, St. Paul, on January 22, 1935, charging that

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between December 1, 1933 and May 1, 1934, Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, and others, conspired to kidnap and transport Edward George Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensenville, Illinois, and hold him for \$200,000 ransom in violation of an Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chap. 241, 47 Stat., 326; U.S.C. 408a.

Bench warrants issued on above indictment as follows:

Bench warrant dated January 22, 1935 issued for Alvin Karpis, containing non est return dated January 23, 1935;

Alias bench warrant dated January 24, 1935, issued for Alvin Karpis, containing notation thereon that warrant was served on May 6, 1936;

Bench warrant dated January 22, 1935, issued for Harry Campbell, with notation appearing thereon that warrant was served on Harry Campbell on May 12, 1936;

Indictment returned by the United States Grand Jury, St. Paul, on January 22, 1935, against Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, and others, charging them with kidnaping and transporting Edward George Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, on or about January 17, 1934 in violation of an Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chap. 241, 47 Stat., 326; U.S.C. 408a.

It should be noted that the bench warrant dated May 4, 1934 for Roy Gray and bench warrant issued same date for Izzie are not in the records of the Clerk of the U. S. District Court, St. Paul, but are supposed to be in the possession of the United States Marshal for the District of Minnesota for service. Agent E. H. Williams of this office was advised by William H. Eckley, Deputy Clerk, that the warrant for Roy Gray is in the possession of Deputy U. S. Marshal Elmer Kennedy but that he is out of the city at the present time and will not return for several days. The warrant for Izzie is supposed to be in the possession of the State Earden at Joliet, Illinois. In the event that it is



desired to obtain copies of the original bench warrants in either case, this office should be advised so that the same may be obtained from Mr. Kennedy upon his return to St. Paul and proper steps taken to obtain the warrant in the possession of the State Warden, Joliet, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STAIN  
Special Agent in Charge

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November 19, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of October 27, 1936, enclosing a summary of the information contained in the Bureau's files as to the identity of the perpetrators of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre, Chicago, Illinois, February 14, 1929, and also Bureau letter of November 5, 1936, enclosing a summary of the information contained in the Bureau's files regarding the murder of Police Officer Miles Cunningham, at Chicago, Illinois, on September 22, 1933.

On November 18, 1936, at Chicago, Illinois, Police Commissioner Allman was contacted at his office and he was furnished with copies of the two indicated memoranda and at this time he briefly observed the contents of both memoranda but indicated that he, himself was not sufficiently familiar with the details of either offense to cover same in intelligent conversation with us, but indicated that possibly he would have his officer Lieutenant Otto Erlanson, in charge of the Homicide Squad at Chicago, and who is in charge of and conducting investigation as to the Valentine Massacre incident, contact me later in the day.

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In conversation with Commissioner Allman, it was indicated that Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police had contacted them by letter and Lt. Erlanson had subsequently contacted Anderson at Topeka, Kansas, inasmuch as Anderson indicated he had certain information pertaining to the above incidents. Commissioner Allman was not familiar with the information which Erlanson had obtained.

On the evening of November 18, 1936, Lt. Erlanson contacted me and from my conversation with him apparently the Post Office Inspectors and Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police have been in touch with and interviewed Jess Doyle at the prison where he is incarcerated and from what information I could learn, without displaying too much interest in the activities of Anderson, it is

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apparent that Doyle has furnished them with information to the effect that Byron Bolton was involved in the shooting of officer Miles Cunningham. At least, they have referred to a supposed incident wherein Bolton, who was using his machine gun, shot the mounting out of a ring on the ring finger of Arthur H. "Doc" Barker, during the time they were shooting at officer Cunningham. They also have the supposed incident wherein Byron Bolton and "Doc" Barker supposedly took Willie Harrison out on the evening of a certain day and killed him, by reason of the fact that Willie Harrison had become drunk at Chicago and was talking about the trip he had made to Florida.

It was apparent from the conversation with Lieutenant Erlanson that they had little information other than the above, as a result of their conversation with Anderson and undoubtedly his information is based upon interviews they have had with Jess Doyle. It is noted in letter of the Omaha Office that as of November 16, 1936, it was indicated that the Post Office Inspectors were active in efforts to secure parole for Jess Doyle, in order that he in return might furnish them with information which would clear up a mail messenger hold-up.

Commissioner Allman was very profuse in his thanks to us for the information which we had furnished and in my conversation with Lt. Erlanson, I indicated to him the location of the various persons mentioned, namely that "Doc" Barker was serving a life sentence in Alcatraz, as was also Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis, and Harry Sawyer, and that Elmer Farmer was serving a twenty year sentence at Alcatraz.

It was also indicated to Lt. Erlanson that as to Bob Conroy alias Bob Carey alias "Gimpy", there have been reports to the effect that Conroy and his wife had been killed in an apartment in New York City in 1933, which they probably could identify by suitable inquiry of the New York Police.


It was also indicated that Ray Nugent, referred to was the same as "Crane-Neck" Nugent, and as to whom the St. Louis Police might have information, he being a character from that vicinity. It was also indicated to them that Jimmie McCrussen (phonetic spelling of last name) was reported to be thirty-six to thirty-eight years of age, wears glasses, is a good dresser and that he, together with Jimmie Morand, alias "Jimmie, the Swede", were supposed to be local characters from the Northside of Chicago.

It was also indicated to them that apparently Jimmie Morand was one and the same as their #93511, Chicago Police Department, arrest of October 6, 1924; that the last information indicated as to Jimmie Morand was that he was probably hanging out in the vicinity of Berwyn, Illinois.

The officers indicated particular interest in Morand and undoubtedly will make effort to pick him up and in keeping with my previous observations above that they have little in the way of any other information available at this time other than what has been furnished to them by us and the memoranda previously above referred to, they indicated that practically the only thing they have to cover at this time will be the location of Morand, who is out, and that the balance of the possibilities resolve themselves with what, if anything, could be obtained from Byron Bolton in Milan Prison, to substantiate or elaborate upon his previous statements.

No further action will be taken as to this matter and should the Chicago Police Department again contact the Chicago Office as to this, the information they request will be communicated to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

  
R. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Chicago  
Omaha

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>DETROIT, MICHIGAN</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11/19/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/7,30/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>CHARLES A. HOLTZ</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, FUGITIVE - I.O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  Upon advice from Cleveland Field Division received October 7, 1936, the Detroit Field Division is discontinuing to contact members of crews of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company's boats at Saulte Ste Marie, Michigan.			
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REFERENCE:  Report of Special Agent Charles H. Olson, Detroit, Michigan, dated 9/23/36.			
DETAILS:  On October 7, 1936, a long distance telephone call was received by the writer at the office of the Detroit Field Division from Special Agent Earl J. Wynn of the Cleveland Field Division. Mr. Wynn advised that arrangements had been made through the Pittsburgh Steamship Company at Cleveland, Ohio, whereby the employees of that company who had been around the Casino Club at Cleveland, Ohio, in the year 1934 could be contacted at Toledo, Ohio, and that it, accordingly, would not be necessary for the Detroit Field Division to continue its efforts to contact these parties at Saulte Ste. Marie, Michigan.			
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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

November 18, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

As requested in your letter of November 14,  
1936, I am enclosing herewith fifty copies  
of the photograph of Benson Groves, together  
with the original.

Very truly yours,

LJM  
enc.

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

Cleveland FILE NO. 7-1

REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11/17/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11/2 to 14/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>A. P. KITCHIN</b> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>APK/EJB</b></div>
TITLE (CHANGED) <b>GEORGE TIMINEX; THEODORE ANGUS, aliases Ted Angus, John J. Burns;</b> <b>BERT ANGUS; JOSEPH ROSCOE, alias Joe Roscoe;</b> <b>LUCIAN C. FLEMING, alias Ludy Fleming; alias L. C. Reynolds;</b> <b>REBECCAH HOLST; MADELINE ANGUS; RUTH WELLS, aliases</b> <b>THOMAS BARROWMAN; Ruth Angus, Mrs. John J. Burns;</b> <b>THELMA HOLST; COLIN MUNRO, alias Colin Monroe,</b> <b>alias "Coolie";</b> <b>FRANK P. GREENWALD, alias Greenie;</b> <b>JAMES J. WILSON, aliases: Jimmie Wilson, James Jackson,</b> <b>James Ryan, "Dr" Jim Wilson, E. J. Powell,</b> <b>Thomas Barrowman;</b> <b>CHARLES JOSEPH FITZGERALD, aliases: Charles Morgan, J. C. Hammond,</b> <b>W. M. Funk, Slim Williams, Frank West, Charles Logan,</b> <b>Charles Lowe, Philip Fitzgerald, W. M. Frank,</b> <b>J. C. Hammond, W. D. Fitzgerald, J. C. Adams,</b> <b>Daniel Mathias Logan, Charles Jordan, W. E. Fitzgerald,</b> <b>Chifolm, Big Charley, Big Ben, Big Fitz, Long Charley,</b> <b>Old Charlie, William Funk, C. J. Murphy, Charles Joseph</b> <b>Murphy, J. C. Foster, James Charles Foster,</b> <b>Judge Fitzgerald, G. W. Wilson;</b> <b>OLIVER A. BERG, aliases: Ollie Berg, "Izzy", Mr. Jones, Oliver Bennet,</b> <b>Otto Largo;</b> <b>WILLIAM WEAVER, aliases: P. O'Donnell, Phoenix Donald, R. A. Nelson, T. J. Nelson,</b> <b>P. J. Nelson, Bill Scott, W. C. Weaver, Charles W. Lucas,</b> <b>Charles E. Bolling, Bill Weaver, Felix Donald, P. O.</b> <b>Donald, Phoenix O'Donald, W. G. Weaver, P. O. Scott,</b> <b>J. A. Orhood, Bill Thornton, Phoenix Donal, Lapland Willie,</b> <b>George E. Weaver, G. H. Weaver, Wm. Thornton, Buck Beaver,</b> <b>Claire Lucas, Felix Donal, Clair Lucas, Heavy, W. A. Weaver,</b> <b>W. Lucas, Clarence Eaton, Clarence Lucas, J. W. Osborne;</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVE;</b> <b>OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL</b> <b>FIREARMS ACT</b>
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DOLORES DELANEY, aliases: Mrs. S. A. Green, Louise Graham, L. O. Wood, A. B. Graham, Mrs. E. M. Waggoner, Mrs. H. G. Wagner, Mrs. E. A. Caulley, Dolores Wagner, Mrs. E. N. Wagner;

WILLIAM J. HARRISON, aliases: Willie Harrison, J. B. Bolton, W. J. Ryan, Elmer Howe, (deceased);

DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, aliases: "Doc" Moran, Joseph B. Moran, Joseph C. Moran, J. Hammond, FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1232;

RUSSELL GIBSON, aliases: Rusty Gibson, R. Gray, Bradford, Evans, Roy Gray, Roy Gray Evans, Andrew Allen, Slim Evans, Slim Gray, (deceased);

FRED BAKER, aliases: F. G. Ward, Ted Murphy, J. Darrows, R. E. Davis, J. E. Blackburn, T. C. Blackburn, A. S. Hunter, J. Earl Matterson, J. Stanley Smith, Fred E. Gordon, Bradford, Earl J. Matterson, R. C. Blackburn, R. B. Lang, Shorty, A. G. Bradford, (deceased);

ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: Albin Francis Karpavicz, A. Carter, Raymond Handley, George Haller, Alvin Karpis, A. Karpis, Earl Peel, Alvin Kapis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E. L. Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, William B. Lohman, R. E. Nelson, Earl Lyman Burns, Merion Bradford, Marion Bradford, H. J. Milgreth, H. G. Milgreth, Howard Milgreth, E. L. Burnes, Ray Hall, Dan Murphy, "Chi" Karpis, Raymond Hadley, Albin Karpis, "James", Charles H. Bronson, Leroy Morrison, E. M. Wagner, H. G. Wagner, H. G. Waggoner, Elmer Wagner, E. N. Wagner, Edward H. Wagner, L. O. Woods, A. S. Green, S. A. Green, Ray Green, E. N. Green, Charles A. Richards, W. B. Lohman, "Slim", Raymond Alvin Karpis, Ray Carson, T. N. Nelson, R. J. Burns, Ray Hadley, R. S. Carson, Hayes, Elray N. Beaudry, C. W. Brand, W. H. Lohman, William C. Lohman, N. O. Bell, Doc Day, Doc, Ed Woods, Frank Guthrie, Ray Miller, Ed King, E. F. Collins, Edw. O'Hara, Frank A. Gleason, E. Collins, Sonny Miller, O. Ames, Chas. Miller, H. L. Burns, F. M. Dawson, R. G. Hayes, Jr.;

HARRY CAMPBELL, aliases: Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L. Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson, Buff, Sutton, Charles Miller, Bob Miller, Buffalo, Dave, G. L. Summers, G. F. Summers, G. Summers, T. E. Blackburn, C. C. Cameron, G. C. Cameron, Geo. F. Summers, R. E. Nelson, Bob Brown, Clarence Charles Miller, Carl Atkins;

EDWARD FRANCIS MCGRAW; CLARA MCGRAW; MILTON LETT, aliases: J. M. Lett, J. M. Letz, Thomas J. Shaw, Carl Baker;

JOHN BROCK, aliases: John Brack, J. D. Adams, J. C. Creighton, Harold Johnson, T. F. Evans;

SAM COKER, aliases: Robert Pratt, Tommy Pratt, Tommy Coleman, Ralph Pool, Ralph Nelson;

JOSEPH H. ADAMS, aliases: Joe H. Adams, Joe Adams;

HENDRY RANDALL, aliases: Henry Randall, Duke Randall, Henry Stern;

ARTHUR R. BARKER, aliases: "Doc" Barker, Claude Dale, Bob Barker, E. L. Murray, J. H. Murray, A. S. Hunter, Dock Barker, Claude Barker, Arthur Barker, F. E. Gordon, H. J. Harvey, James, Ray Gordon, Joe, Shorty, Henry, Dock Barker, H. J. Morley;

JOHN F. GORMAN, aliases: Sharkey Gorman, Sharkey, Smokey Sharkey.

FRED JOHN HUNTER, aliases: Fred John Henderson, Fred Harris, Fred King, H. J. King, Harold King, Edward O'Hara.

BENSON GROVES, aliases: Benson E. Groves, George Wilson, "Soup", Burns Garby, B. G. Grayson, Benson Graves, Benjamin Grayson, B. J. Grayson, Burns Corby, "Soup" Groves, Benson R. Groves, Benjamin G. Grayson, Ben Grayson.

ANTHONY J. AMERSBACH, alias Tony Amersbach;

ARTHUR W. HEBERBRAND, alias Art Heberbrand, Art Hebebrand.

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

Synopsis of Facts:

Voluntary sworn statements submitted by Sally Jackson and Florence Jasany, sisters, who formerly operated Twilight Tavern, showing association of Tony Amersbach, Sharkey Gorman and Art Hebebrand with Karpis and Campbell at this tavern during period from 2/25/35 to 10/1/35. Milton Lett, Fred Hunter, and Sam Coker also frequented this tavern with Karpis and Campbell. Other information as to Butch Meusel and gambler by name of Dan, associated with Karpis and Campbell at tavern. Benson Groves was allegedly in Cleveland at the Harvard Club in July 1936, at which time he inquired of Toots Talbot as to whereabouts of "Tip" O'Neill. Groves also allegedly seen by Sally Jackson in Cleveland about this same time. Silver Grill has had telephone number PROspect 9433 during 1934, 1935, and 1936. Property at this location listed in name of Julia Patton, wife of James "Shimmy" Patton. No identification made of signature, "E. Bronson" appearing on postal receipts. No record on Wayne Preston at Cleveland Police Department.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent S. E. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 10/20/36; letters from Chicago office dated 11/6 and 7/36; Bureau letter dated 11/9/36.

DETAILS:

The title of this report is being changed to include the correct name of COLIN MUNRO, as it has been established through criminal and correspondence records of this individual, that his correct name is as spelled above.

The names of Arthur W. Hebebrand and Anthony J. Amersbach are also being added to the title of this case, inasmuch as definite information has been obtained in the form of sworn statements from Sally Jackson and Florence Jasany, definitely implicating these two individuals in the harboring of Karpis and Campbell at Cleveland, Ohio, during 1935. Also the additional aliases Benson R. Groves, Benjamin G. Grayson, and Ben Grayson, are being added for BENSON GROVES as established from criminal record received from the Bureau. The additional alias of L. C. Reynolds is also being added for subject LUCIAN C. FLEMING.

On the afternoon of November 2, 1936, Special Agent S. K. McKee received a telephone call at the Cleveland office from Sally Jackson in which she asked that she be "picked up" on the following morning as she wanted to talk with us and as she felt she would be better off if we picked her up at the cocktail bar at 7403 Denison Avenue where she is now working and living. It is to be stated that Sally Jackson is the elder of the three sisters, who formerly operated the Twilight Tavern at 6698 Pearl Road where subjects in this case hung out prior to their apprehension.

On the morning of November 3, 1936, Special Agent S. K. McKee and the writer went to the cocktail bar at 7403 Denison Avenue, where Sally Jackson was located. She voluntarily accompanied Agents to the Cleveland office where she was interviewed. She informed that she desired to tell what she knew about Alvin Karpis and persons associated with him, for the reason that there was somebody she had to protect. She went on to relate that her sister, Pauline, had been keeping company with Tony Amersbach for about two years; that Tony had another girl named Margaret Hanson, with whom he has been living in an apartment near 81st and Detroit Streets for several years; that she realizes Tony can never mean anything except trouble for Pauline, and for that reason she, Sally, desired to tell what she knows, with the hope that the affair between her sister and Tony will be broken up. She requested that the photographs which were shown to her during previous interview be shown to her again, and when this was done, she identified the pictures of Milton Lett, Tony Amersbach, Art Hebebrand, Sharkey Gorman, Sam Coker, John Brock, Benson Groves, Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis, and Harry Campbell as persons who had frequented the Twilight Tavern from about February 22, 1935 until some time in September 1935, together with Karpis and Campbell, and who were responsible for their being there. Miss Jackson requested that she not be pressed for complete details of her knowledge at this time for the reason that she desired to think the matter over further, also to discuss same with her younger sister, Florence Jasany. She stated that she would come to the Cleveland office on the morning of November 5, 1936, with her sister Florence, at which time she would furnish the complete details concerning the harboring of Karpis and Campbell by the persons whom she has identified, and would see to it that her sister did likewise. She said that she would not expect her sister, Pauline, to tell what she knew, as she is still in love with Tony Amersbach, but that both she and Florence would try to prevail upon Pauline to break off with Amersbach and tell the entire story to Agents of the Bureau.

The following investigation was conducted on November 2, 1936 by Special Agent S. K. McKee and the writer:

George A. "Toots" Talbot, 1385 Manor Park Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, was interviewed and the photograph of Benson Groves was shown to him for identification purposes. He advised that he did not know the name of this man, but that he had seen him on two occasions at the Harvard Club. He stated that during the past summer, probably during July, Groves came to the club on two occasions to see "Tip" O'Neill and did see him. He said that on the first visit Groves inquired of him for O'Neill and when he found that he was not in he waited for him upon invitation. Talbot said that he had never seen Groves except as noted above, and that O'Neill was the only person who talked with him at the club. He was unable to furnish any other information as to this individual. Talbot was told that we desired to locate Groves, and was told that he was "hot." He was requested to communicate with the Cleveland office by telephone in the event Groves again put in an appearance at the club, and he indicated that he would do so, although it is to be stated that not too much confidence is to be placed in Talbot's promise in view of his connection with the Harvard Club.

Mrs. E. J. Wagner, manager of the Gordon Square Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, was contacted and the photograph of Groves was shown to her, but she could not identify it as the likeness of any person who has stopped at the hotel in the past.

While at the Gordon Square Hotel arrangements were made with Mrs. Earl Brazzil to have her husband come to the Cleveland office for interview regarding Benson Groves.

Bert Budd, caretaker of the apartment building at 11835 Lake Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, was interviewed in the presence of his wife and brother, Charles Budd, who also reside in the building. The photograph of Benson Groves was displayed to these persons, but none of them could recognize it as the likeness of anyone they had seen. "Tip" O'Neill resides with Marie Flynn in this building and is known to the persons interviewed. It was the statement of the Budd brothers that they had never known O'Neill to have any visitors. They were requested to maintain a watch for Groves and to advise the Cleveland office in the event he put in an appearance at the O'Neill apartment, and they both said they would be glad to do so. In response to an inquiry they both stated that they had not received any prior inquiries as to Groves.

Earl R. "Stubby" Brazzil, dealer at the Harvard Club, was reinterviewed at the Cleveland office by Special Agent S. K. McKee and the writer on November 4, 1936, for possible information as to

Benson Groves. He readily identified the photograph of Groves as a man he had seen in Toledo, Ohio, on numerous occasions prior to coming to Cleveland two years ago. He said he saw him around the Jovial Club and at a bootlegging joint on the one hundred block of St. Clair Street. He advised that he has seen him frequently in the company of both Joe Koscoe and Tip O'Neill, but cannot recall any other persons he has been with. Brazzil was positive that he had never seen Groves either in Cleveland or at the Harvard Club, and that he had not seen him during the past two years or so. It is to be stated that Brazzil is apparently open and above board in his answers to questions, and states that he will communicate with this office if he comes in contact with Groves.

During further general conversation with Brazzil concerning the Harvard Club and the various persons employed there, he advised that he has not talked with any of the employees since last interviewed in this office for the reason that he has not thought it wise to be asking too many questions around the place. He stated, however, that within the past ten days he was at the cocktail bar on Denison Avenue, which is owned by Tony Amersbach and operated by Sally and Pauline Jackson, and had a few drinks with Tony and Sharkey Gorman. He stated that Tony keeps company with Pauline Jackson and also lives with a girl named Margaret. He said he was with a young girl from Newburgh Heights at the time and only stayed for a few drinks; that while in the company of Tony and Sharkey they did not talk concerning this investigation or the fugitives concerned in it.

Brazzil mentioned that he might be going to Toledo in the near future and said that if he ran into any information on Benson Groves he would communicate with this office immediately. It is to be stated that Brazzil believes the Harvard Club will have to cease operations as a result of the recent defeat of Sheriff Sultzman, and he said that if he loses his job he will go to Toledo, Ohio, where he can be reached through a sister-in-law, Mrs. Harry Doctor, 305 Stanley Court, Toledo, Ohio.

On October 30, 1936, Special Agent A. P. Kitchin contacted Chris Brown (Chris Botoff) at his residence, 7314 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, at which time Brown was found to be recuperating from an extended drunk. He stated that he has been drunk ever since the day after he was last interviewed at the Cleveland office and, therefore, has not been back to work at the Harvard Club. He was shown the photograph of Benson Groves but he could make no identification, however, it is thought advisable to again contact Brown at a later date, and when he is sober, as he was in no condition at the time of this interview to identify anyone.

In connection with the recent contacts with Sally Jackson and the arrangements made with her that she and her sister would come to this office on the morning of November 5, 1936, to furnish information in this case, it is to be stated that Florence Jasany telephoned on the morning of November 5, 1936, and advised that Sally was not feeling well and would not come to the office at the designated time. Telephonic communication was had with Sally Jackson later in the day and an appointment was made for the morning of November 6, 1936.

On the morning of November 6, 1936, Agents S. K. McKee and the writer talked with both Sally Jackson and Florence Jasany at the Cleveland office and at this time they both agreed to furnish all information in their possession as to the presence of Karpis, and others, at the Twilight Tavern and with respect to the persons responsible for their being there. They did not desire to proceed with this matter at the time of the interview for the reason that Florence had to go to work at two P. M., also because Sally wanted to move her furniture and personal effects out of the premises at 7405 Denison Avenue, where she is in business with Tony Amersbach. Definite arrangements were made, however, at the request of the two sisters, that they would appear at this office on the morning of Monday, November 9, 1936, and make complete statements in this case.

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In accordance with information obtained from [redacted] of Toledo, Ohio, relative to Wayne Preston, on November 5, 1936, Special Agent L. A. Ducommun ascertained from the Identification Bureau, Cleveland Police Department, that there is no record of a Wayne Preston. A thorough search of the files by Special Agent Ducommun failed to reflect any name similar to this, with the following exceptions: Thomas Preston, 1226 Hall Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio; James J. Preston, 4112 Resenoir Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio; Robert Preston, Chicago, Illinois; Wallace V. Preston, 4116 East 139th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

A search of the 1933-34 and 1934-35 and 1935-36 city directories failed to list any Wayne Preston.

[redacted] was interviewed and he stated that his records failed to reflect any record of a Wayne Preston.

Inquiry was also made at the Warrensville Workhouse, but no record was found of Wayne Preston as having ever been incarcerated in that institution.

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Due to the fact that subsequent information has been obtained from [redacted] at Toledo, Ohio, relative to the fact that Wayne Preston was allegedly a state prohibition agent for the state of Ohio a separate letter is being directed to the Cincinnati office requesting discreet inquiry at the state prohibition bureau in an effort to establish the true identity of Wayne Preston, and also obtain any information in the possession of that bureau, as to his present whereabouts.

On November 7, 1936, Mr. Koch, who resides at 3874 West 33rd Street, Cleveland, Ohio, telephonically communicated with this office, at which time he informed Special Agent G. C. Callen that he had obtained information relative to the location of Milton Lett, and informed Agent Callan that Lett was allegedly driving a 1935 Ford sedan bearing Ohio license #BD 810, and that this automobile had been seen parked in front of 4601 Harvard Avenue.

Subsequent telephonic communication with Mr. Koch by Special Agent A. P. Kitchin disclosed the fact that he had obtained this information from Mr. O'Connell, who also resides at 3874 West 33rd Street. He stated that Mr. O'Connell had advised him that he had seen the individual whose photograph had been previously shown to him by Agents of this Bureau, and he recognized the individual as being Milton Lett. He stated that Lett was driving the above-mentioned automobile and parked it in front of 4601 Harvard Avenue and went into this building. Mr. Koch stated that he would endeavor to obtain more information relative to this matter, at which time he would immediately advise this office.

At the local office of the Ohio Bureau of Auto Registrations, Special Agent Clyde E. Smith, determined that the above-mentioned license was issued to Abraham Zychick, 3405 East 139th Street, Cleveland, for 1929 Chevrolet coach. A search of the city directory disclosed that Abraham Zychick, peddler, and wife, Sophie, reside at 3405 E. 139th Street, apartment #2. This individual is not listed in the telephone directory.

On November 14, 1936, Mr. Koch called at this office, at which time he informed the writer that he had further questioned O'Connell relative to the above information and had ascertained that at the time this information was obtained from O'Connell, he, O'Connell, was slightly intoxicated. He stated that on November 13, 1936, he, Koch, went to 4601 Harvard Avenue, at which time he observed an individual getting into a 1935 Ford V8 coach bearing license number BD 910, and that this individual closely resembled the photograph of Milton Lett. Mr. Koch stated that he checked the license number and



ascertained that this license was issued to Cletus W. Phillips, 13201 Union Avenue, apartment 7, and that further inquiry in that neighborhood relative to Phillips was made by him, at which time it was ascertained that Phillips is presently residing at 4900 East 110th Street, Cleveland Heights, and that Phillips rents his apartment from one Bruno Skoropa, who also resides at this same address. Mr. Koch informed this Agent that although he did not get a good view of the individual driving the above-mentioned automobile he will endeavor to make further inquiry, at which time he will advise this office the results thereof.

With reference to the request set out in letter from the Chicago Bureau Field Division dated November 7, 1936, relative to an alleged Associated Press dispatch from St. Paul relating to a purported confession made by Jesse Doyle concerning the Fairbury, Nebraska and Third Northwestern Bank of Minnesota bank robberies, around March 31, 1935, Agent checked all Cleveland newspapers on file at the public library for a period from March 15, 1935 to April 15, 1935, but these papers failed to reflect any such article having appeared in the city of Cleveland.

On November 14, 1936, Agent ascertained from Mr. Arthur Bostwick of the Associated Press, Cleveland, Ohio, that should any information be desired relative to any Associated Press dispatch emanating from the city of St. Paul, Minnesota, that inquiry could be made of the Associated Press office in that city, and they could probably ascertain from their files whether or not any such dispatch was forwarded for publication in Cleveland. He stated that in the event their files do not reflect this, that information could be obtained as to the letter of the trunk line used and the number of the communication, and that if such information is made available to the Cleveland office his files could be readily searched. He explained this by stating that the Associated Press at St. Paul has three-lettered trunk lines, namely, A, B, and K, and that all communications are dispatched to Chicago, Illinois, over one of these trunk lines and each communication given an arbitrary number. He stated that in the event no trunk line letter is on file at St. Paul, at the the Associated Press, that the Chicago office of the Associated Press would disclose this. The St. Paul Bureau field division is being requested to conduct the above suggested investigation at the offices of the Associated Press, such request being made by letter.

With reference to the request set out in the letter from the Chicago Bureau Field Division on November 6, 1936, the following investigation was conducted by this Agent:

A search of the files of the County Surveyor's office, disclosed that the address 2801 Detroit Avenue, on which property the Silver Grill is operated, is listed in the name of Julie Patton for the years 1934, 1935, and 1936, and that such an address appears on the county maps as being sub-lot #391 on map three of Subdivision B. & L. A further check of the maps mentioned above affirmed this information.

From Miss Mabel Hiller in the office of Mr. Rudolph Christman, 704 Ohio Bell Telephone Building, it was ascertained that telephone number Main 6282 was listed to the Commercial Traffic Company, room 322, Huron-Ninth Building, and that this telephone number had been listed to this firm for several years prior to 1934. She also stated that Main 0069 was at the present time listed to the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company and was a leased line direct to Akron, Ohio. She informed this Agent that it would be impossible to determine whether or not this number was assigned to the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company for previous years, without a lengthy search through the files. She stated, however, that it is the general custom of larger corporations to maintain the same private line listed for all years, beginning at the first year they lease any direct line.

A search of the 1934, 1935 and 1936 telephone directories in the office of Miss Hiller disclosed that telephone number of the Silver Grill, 2801 Detroit Avenue, has been Prospect 9433 for the years above-mentioned.

[REDACTED] informed this Agent that he has a very meager file relative to the Commercial Traffic Company. He stated that his files reflect [REDACTED]

and that the present location of this company is in room 322 Huron-Ninth Building; that William Aichele is president of this concern, and that the last address they have for this individual is 1314 Park Row, Lakewood, Ohio. [REDACTED] stated that he had no information relative to the type of business conducted by the Commercial Traffic Company.

Mr. Sherman Watts, financial manager, Cleveland Better Business Bureau, was interviewed by Agent and he stated that his office has no file relative to the Commercial Traffic Company, and that he has no personal information concerning this business. He referred Agent to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was contacted telephonically by Special Agent Clyde E. Smith, at which time he advised Agent Smith that his files reflect that the Commercial Traffic Company, located at 322 Huron-Ninth Building, Cleveland, has been in operation since May of 1933, with a capital stock of \$1,500. He stated that William Aichele, president; Alex D. Whiteside, treasurer; and Harry P. Connor, secretary, were all of the officers listed for this company. When questioned as to the type of business conducted by this company, he stated that it was his understanding that the Commercial Traffic Company handles transportation of merchandise for companies not having a traffic department or traffic manager; that they also handle re-routing of merchandise shipped into Cleveland for various trucking concerns. [REDACTED] informed Agent Smith that he had no information relative to the character or reputation of any of the above-mentioned officers.

Relative to the statement of Lillian Marea in which she makes mention of the fact that Sharkey Gorman called at the Edith Barry house in the spring of 1935, in a green Graham Paige coupe, and the fact that it was thought that this automobile might possibly have been the automobile of Tony Amersbach, it is noted that in the interview with Tony Amersbach, as is recited in report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, October 6, 1936, Amersbach informed that he at one time possessed a Graham Paige sedan. In the interview with Florence Jasany by this Agent and Special Agent E. J. Wynn, on November 11, 1936, Florence Jasany was questioned relative to the type automobile owned by Tony Amersbach, and she stated that she has no knowledge of Amersbach having owned a green Paige coupe, but that she did know that during 1935 Amersbach did possess a large Paige sedan, but she could not recall the color of this automobile. Further inquiries will be made in this regard.

On November 9, 1936 a laboratory report was received by this office from the Bureau, wherein it was stated that no identification had been effected of the signature, "E. Bronson" appearing on the photostatic copies of the reverse side of five C.O.D. package receipts dated July 11, 1934. This report also states that these signatures were also compared with the name, "Chas. Bronson" appearing on the application for duplicate transfer of title, but that no conclusion was reached.

Due to the fact that Sally Jackson and Florence Jasany did not appear at the Cleveland office on Monday, November 9, 1936, this Agent contacted Sally Jackson telephonically at which time she advised that she would call at this office on Wednesday, November 11, 1936, at which time she would bring her sister, Florence, and that they both would give detailed statements relative to the fact that Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis and others frequented the Twilight Tavern during the time she operated same.

On November 11, 1936, Florence Jasany and Sally Jackson called at this office, at which time they were interviewed by Special Agent E. J. Wynn and the writer. Both Sally Jackson and Florence Jasany gave the following voluntary, sworn statements, the original of which are being retained in the files of the Cleveland bureau field division:

"Cleveland, Ohio,  
"November 11, 1936.

"I, SALLY JACKSON, make the following free and voluntary statement to A. Paul Kitchin and E. J. Wynn, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

"In 1935 my sisters, Pauline and Florence Jasany, and myself were operating the Twilight Tavern located at 6698 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

"On or about February 24, 1935, I went to the hospital for an operation. I recall that it was on or about February 24th, because my birthday is on George Washington's birthday, February 22nd, and it was just a few days after my birthday that I went to the hospital. I was confined in the hospital for about three weeks, being released about the middle of March 1935. While I was in the hospital I was visited by my sisters, Pauline and Florence, who told me about some men who were visiting the Twilight Tavern and who were spending quite a good deal of money, and they referred to these men as Slim and Fred.

"After being released from the hospital I returned to the Twilight Tavern where we three sisters lived, and a day or so after I returned I met the men who were called Slim and Fred. From a large number of photographs I have selected the photograph which I am told is that of Alvin Karpis, and I identify it as the man known to me as Slim. I have also selected the photograph of a man I am told is that of Fred Hunter, and I positively identify this photograph as being that of the man referred to as Fred.

"On the occasion my first meeting them they were accompanied by another man, but I do not know his identity, and I never saw him again. These three men, that is Slim, Fred and the unknown man, remained in the sleeping quarters at the Twilight Tavern over night and left about noon the next day. They had revolvers in their coat pockets and Slim asked me where he could put his hardware, meaning his guns.

"I have known Tony Amersbach for about four years and he was a customer at the Twilight Tavern as were several of the gamblers from the Harvard Club. After Slim, Fred and the third man left, perhaps the day thereafter, Tony came into the Twilight Tavern and referred to Slim and Fred and told me that he had given me a good break by steering such good customers to our tavern. I do not know whether it was at this particular time, or at a subsequent time that Tony Amersbach told me that Slim and Fred were big time gamblers, but I do know that he did tell me this. I had no reason to doubt his word about this and I do know that Slim and Fred had plenty of money on their persons at all times.

"It was in the latter part of March, or the first part of April 1935, that Slim and Fred again visited the Twilight Tavern, arriving there about seven or eight P. M. At this time they were accompanied by a man whom they called George. I had previously heard about George from my sister, Pauline, but I had never met him. George, on this occasion, was very drunk. These three men remained until about two or three A. M. and I know they had revolvers on their persons at this time because I saw them. From a large number of photographs shown to me I have selected the photograph of a man I am told is Harry Campbell, and I positively identify this photograph as being that of the individual referred to as George.

"Thereafter, in the course of the next month, Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and Harry Campbell, who as I have said, were known to me respectively as Slim, Fred and George, visited the Twilight Tavern on several occasions and it may be that they remained over night on several occasions, but I am not particularly clear as to this.

"Some time in the latter part of April 1935, I recall that one morning between 3 A. M. and 4 A. M., Art Hebebrand, whom I have known for several years as the operator of the Harvard Club, at which place I have visited and gambled, came to the Twilight Tavern accompanied by Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, a gambler from the Harvard Club known as Dan, and a fifth man, whom I had never seen before, and have never seen since. I had just closed the Twilight Tavern and was in my room preparing to retire when I saw a car drive into the driveway, and I went down to open the door, and Pauline, my sister, came downstairs with me. I was hesitant about opening the door, and I called and asked who was there. A man's voice responded, 'Art', and not being sure just who it was, I pulled the shade and saw Art Hebebrand, and I admitted the men. Art Hebebrand immediately went into the dining room with Alvin Karpis and ordered a quart of Scotch, and told me

to leave the Scotch on the table. He then told me to pull all the shades in the dining room, to lock the front door, and not to let anyone in. George, the gambler Dan, and the unknown man stood at the bar while Art Hebebrand and Alvin Karpis sat in the dining room drinking the Scotch and talking privately. On this occasion Art Hebebrand gave me instructions not to disturb the conversation he was having with Alvin Karpis. These two men remained in conversation for an hour or more and came out of the dining room and Art Hebebrand gave me a \$20 bill in payment for the bottle of Scotch and then immediately the five men left in the large automobile in which they had arrived at the tavern.

"I can place the date of this particular incident, recalling that it was just about three weeks before a big chicken fry, which we had at the Twilight Tavern on May 19, 1935. Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell came to this chicken fry arriving at the tavern together. Shortly after they arrived, at about possibly eleven P. M., Tony Amersbach, accompanied by a gambler from the Harvard Club known to me by the name of Butch, came to the tavern and ate, and as I recall they sat at their own table while eating. Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell exchanged setups of drinks with Tony and the gambler called Butch, that is, Karpis and Campbell would buy Tony and Butch a drink and have it sent to their table, and Tony and Butch would return the favor. This kept up all evening.

"About three A. M. Art Hebebrand and his girl friend, Ruth, came to the tavern, and by this time Alvin Karpis had become so drunk he passed out and was upstairs in bed. All of the individuals, that is Harry Campbell, Tony Amersbach, the gambler Butch, Art Hebebrand and the latter's girl friend, Ruth, got together in a big party. As I recall, Ruth's last name is Spangler. All of these persons were having a great time and they called me over to their table on several occasions and insisted that I take a drink. Art Hebebrand and Ruth left about eight A. M.

"I recall that when Karpis became so drunk it was apparent he was going to pass out, I helped him upstairs and he went to bed. He had two pistols on him and he insisted that I put them away. He also had a wallet stuffed with bills and I would say that he had several thousand dollars. I might say that both Karpis and Campbell carried large sums of money, and they had packages of \$50 bills with the bank wrapper around them, and they flashed their money very openly.

"When Art Hebebrand and Ruth left, Art said he would take care of the bill for the whole party and told me to come to the Harvard Club and collect it, but I told Art that I would not do that and Tony, who was present at that time, pulled out a large roll of bills and paid Art's bill. I recall that Art Hebebrand's bill was \$49.00. Immediately after Art Hebebrand and Ruth left, Tony Amersbach and Harry Campbell went upstairs and went to sleep in the room where Alvin Karpis was sleeping. After they had been asleep for several hours I went up and knocked on the door and looked in and all three were in the room in conversation. Shortly afterwards Tony Amersbach came down and told me he had to get over to the Harvard Club to work, so I cooked his breakfast and he left right away. I drove Tony to the Harvard Club to work.

"As I have stated, Tony Amersbach, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell slept in the same room upstairs and I saw them there in conversation. When Tony came down to get his breakfast he pretended not to know who Karpis and Campbell were and asked me how they came there. If I recall correctly he said, 'How did you get acquainted with those fellows?' I was surprised because my sisters Florence and Pauline told me that Tony Amersbach had made arrangements for these men before they ever came to the tavern. This statement of Tony Amersbach, in view of this, and also in view of the fact that he had told me previously that these men were big time gamblers, struck me as being peculiar, especially since at this particular time he said that the men looked like big time bootleggers. I told Tony Amersbach at that time that he brought the men to the tavern and I asked him what he meant by denying that he knew them. He told me that I must be mistaken.

"Butch the gambler, who was there the night before at the chicken fry, and did not stay over night, and I think he took the automobile in which he and Tony had arrived at the tavern, to go home in.

"Shortly after Tony Amersbach left, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell came downstairs and I cooked their breakfast for them. I recall that Campbell asked me for Art Hebebrand's bill, stating that he would pay it, and I told him that it was already taken care of, and he seemed somewhat surprised. Campbell paid the bill for himself and Karpis. I remembered that Karpis' bill was \$32.00, but I cannot recall the amount of Campbell's bill. I recall that Tony Amersbach's bill was \$28.00, which he paid in the morning before he left for work.

"After Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis had breakfast they left, but returned to the tavern late in the late afternoon and



I recall that they insisted on having steaks for supper, and I went out with Campbell and bought some steaks and came back and my sister, Florence, cooked the steaks for them. For some reason Karpis became peeved and went upstairs and went to bed and did not come down to eat. Butch, the gambler, arrived at the Twilight Tavern and he asked for the boys. However, Karpis would not come downstairs, whereupon Butch remained and ate Karpis' steak and then Butch left. The next day Karpis and Campbell left and as I recall in about a week they returned and they had with them a fellow they called Willie. From a large number of photographs I have selected the photograph of a man I am told is Milton Lett, and I positively identify this photograph as being the man called Willie. They sat around and drank and then left. Thereafter, Milton Lett visited the Twilight Tavern with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell on two or three occasions, more particularly with Harry Campbell, as I recall that on several occasions Milton Lett and Harry Campbell came to the Twilight Tavern and sat around and drank for several hours at a time.

"I have known Sharkey Gorman for about four years, having seen him at the Harvard Club where he was employed. I have selected a photograph of Sharkey Gorman from a large number of photographs exhibited to me.

"One day, some time in July 1935, as best I can recall, Sharkey Gorman came to the Twilight Tavern. I presume someone drove him there because I did not see a car parked around the place. He came in and asked for Slim and George. Karpis and Campbell had been at the Twilight Tavern earlier that day and seemed to be nervous about the time because they kept looking at the clock and wanted to know whether it was right. When Sharkey Gorman arrived, as I have stated, I told him that Slim and George had been there but had left, and I told him that they would be back later as they told me to tell that to Sharkey Gorman when he came to the tavern. Sharkey Gorman loafed around the tavern and kept looking out toward the road and finally I noticed a high-powered car drive by and Sharkey went out, got into this car and was driven away. I do not know whose car this was, or who was in the car.

"I recall that on one occasion Sharkey Gorman and Alvin Karpis came to the Twilight Tavern and sat around and drank liquor and talked for quite some time. I did not hear what they said because they seemed to be talking privately. This is the only time that I saw Sharkey Gorman with Karpis at the Twilight Tavern.



"I recall that Sharkey Gorman, on at least three or four occasions during the summer of 1935, would come to the Twilight Tavern and apparently loaf around, but would always watch the road, and on these occasions I would notice him leave the tavern and get into an automobile which pulled by the tavern at a high rate of speed and stopped down the road. I recall that one time he came there, but the big car did not come down the road so I called a cab for him to go back to the Harvard Club. On this occasion he seemed to be disappointed and asked me if the boys, meaning Karpis and Campbell, had been there, and I told him that they had not.

"Sharkey Gorman was not a regular customer and it appeared that when he came to the tavern he always had the purpose in mind of meeting Karpis and Campbell, because he would always ask me if Slim and George had been around.

"Some time during the month of July 1935, Karpis and Campbell and Fred Hunter came to the Twilight Tavern in a Ford coupe which they parked in my garage. Karpis became drunk on this occasion and went to sleep and before going to sleep he gave me his guns, wallet and the keys to his car to take care of. I went out and looked in the rumble seat of the car and I saw several guns in this compartment, including a machine gun.

"I cannot recall all the occasions on which these individuals visited the Twilight Tavern, but I do recall that in September 1935, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter came to the place in two automobiles and as I recall they were Ford cars. They had a man with them they called Tommy. I recall that this man Tommy had gold teeth and talked in a rather hoarse voice. Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell said that he was an old time friend of theirs. From a large group of photographs I have selected one which I am told is that of Sam Coker, which is marked on the front with numbers 14023, and I positively identify this photograph as being the man referred to as Tommy. These men were talking about going to the Max Baer-Joe Louis fight in New York City, and told me that they had chartered a plane to make the trip. I recall that about a week later these men, that is Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and Sam Coker, came back to the Twilight Tavern together and I think they were driving two Ford automobiles. They went into great detail telling me about their trip to New York and mentioned that they had been to Jack Dempsey's restaurant and that Sam Coker won a Ford sedan from Alvin Karpis on the outcome of the fight. On this occasion they arrived in the morning and remained around all day and did not leave until about ten o'clock that night. They left once in the afternoon and came back in the evening. I recall that on this occasion Harry Campbell and my sister, Pauline, went out in the orchard and picked a basket of pears.

"When the men left on this occasion they told me that they would be gone for three or four months as they were going to California. I recall that on August 25, 1935, we had a clam bake at the Twilight Tavern and as was my custom before we held such affairs, I went to the Harvard Club in order to sell tickets. As I went into the Harvard Club, to my left in the barber shop, I noticed Alvin Karpis, Campbell, and Fred Hunter standing and talking. I did not make any sign of recognition to them at the club. I later found Art Hebebrand in the club and sold him a number of tickets to the clam bake.

"Harry Campbell told me on one occasion that he visited the Twilight Tavern that he worked at the Harvard Club as a dice switcher, that is, when dice got hot for a customer he would inject himself into the game and palm the hot dice and throw some cold dice into the game. He said this was a nerve-racking business and that he made as much as \$300 or \$500 a night doing it, and that there was danger in it as he had to be backed up by someone so that if anyone saw the switch and started trouble the customer could be persuaded to calm down.

"On or about October 2, 1936, I was questioned at the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio, together with my sisters Pauline and Florence. Afterwards we went to 7403 Denison Avenue where Pauline and I run a tavern. Tony Amersbach has an interest in this tavern.

"Several weeks before this, in the tavern on Denison Avenue, Tony Amersbach told me that he had been questioned about the Karpis gang and that undoubtedly I would be questioned. He also told me that a lot of boys at the Harvard Club were questioned. He told me that if I were questioned at the Standard Building I would be shown a large number of photographs, including those of Karpis and Campbell, and that I was not to identify any photographs except those of himself and Art Hebebrand, or some of the local boys at the Harvard Club, whose photographs I might see. He told me I could be sentenced to the penitentiary for five years for harboring criminals. He told me to make no admissions, but to tell the Federal Agents that the Twilight Tavern was a public place and that Karpis and Campbell might have been in there, but I paid no particular attention to the customers inasmuch as it was a public place. When he questioned us after we were talked to at the Standard Building he asked me if I had been shown a large number of photographs and I told him I had and he asked me if I had made any identifications and I told him that I had not, except that I had identified the photograph of Art Hebebrand. At this time he again cautioned me about making any admissions and told me to deny that I had ever seen any of these men.

"Just about a week ago at the tavern on Denison Avenue, Tony Amersbach and Sharkey Gorman came in the place and they again questioned me, wanting to know if I had been questioned again by the Federal Agents. Sharkey at this time told me not to let the Federal Agents "burn me up", telling me that was the way they worked, and if they figured I was hot tempered they would get me mad in order to get me to say something.

"As I have stated, Karpis, Campbell, Fred Hunter, and Sam Coker, after their return to Cleveland from New York, visited the Twilight Tavern for one whole day and then left, stating they would be gone for three or four months. I never saw them any more after this time, nor did I ever see Milton Lett again.

"On May 1, 1936, I had to go to the hospital for an operation and while in the hospital I was visited by my sisters, Florence and Pauline, and they brought the newspapers with the pictures of Alvin Karpis and Campbell, and it was at this time that I learned for the first time the true identity of the men who visited the tavern, who were known to me as Slim and George.

"Several times during the past few weeks Tony Amersbach has made reference to my having been questioned by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. About two days following the time I was first questioned I was at a party at the Airport Tavern with Tony Amersbach, Ruth Spangler, Pauline, my sister, and several other people, and several times on this occasion Tony Amersbach made reference to my having been questioned and told me not to say anything and to make no admissions. On one occasion while he was talking with me he became quite abusive in his language and we had an argument and he told me that some morning he would take me for a ride and not bring me back.

"On one occasion, Milton Lett, known to me as Willie, spent the night with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at the Twilight Tavern. I do not remember the exact date of this occasion, but I know they all stayed in the same room.

"I make this statement for the purpose of telling all I know with respect to this matter and give it freely and voluntarily.

WITNESSES:

/s/ SALLY JACKSON

A. Paul Kitchin E. J. Wynn  
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of  
Investigation, U. S. Department of  
Justice, Cleveland, Ohio.

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this  
11th day of November, 1936.

(SEAL)

Alice Helen Hughes, Notary Public,  
My commission expires 12/12/38."

"I, FLORENCE JASANY, 1432 Castle Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, make the following statement to S. J. Wynn and A. F. Kitchin, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, freely and voluntarily:

"I am 19 years of age and reside with my parents at the above address.

"From August 15, 1934, until December 23, 1935, I was working at the Twilight Tavern intermittently and from on or about February 22, 1935, until December 23, 1935, I was working continuously at this tavern. This tavern was located at 6698 Pearl Road and was owned by my sister, Sally Jackson. During the period that I worked at this tavern Pauline Jasany, another sister of mine, was also employed at this tavern.

"I have known Tony Amersbach for approximately two years and from the beginning of the time that my sister opened the Twilight Tavern, Tony Amersbach was a regular customer at this place.

"On or about February 24, 1935, my sister, Sally Jackson, went to the hospital, leaving Pauline Jasany and me at the Twilight Tavern to operate same. A few days after my sister Sally went to the hospital, Tony Amersbach and Sharkey Gorman, whom I had known for several months, came to the Twilight Tavern, at which time Tony Amersbach told me that he was expecting some friends of his to come to the Twilight Tavern and that upon their arrival, I should accept these men and take care of them as they were friends of his.

"On the evening of this same day, Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter, and an unknown man came to the Twilight Tavern. From a number of photographs exhibited to me, I have picked out the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter as being the men known to me as Slim and Freddie respectively, and as the same men that came to the Twilight Tavern with the unknown party as stated above.

"Very shortly after the arrival of Slim and Freddie and the unknown man at the Twilight Tavern, Tony Amersbach arrived at the tavern alone. He asked me at this time whether the 'boys', meaning Slim and Freddie, were at the tavern and after I told him that they were, he went into the dining room and seated himself at the table, which was at that time occupied by Slim, Freddie and the unknown man. He talked to these men for about a half an hour and then left the Twilight Tavern alone. After the departure of Tony Amersbach, Slim, Freddie and this unknown man left the Twilight Tavern.

"A day or two later, Freddie and Slim returned to the Twilight Tavern about 9 P. M. and asked me to prepare dinner for them; they stated that they wanted a special kind of salad, whereupon Slim and Freddie left the Twilight Tavern and returned shortly with the necessary vegetables. Shortly after Slim and Freddie returned to the tavern with the vegetables, Tony Amersbach arrived at the tavern. Tony Amersbach, Slim and Freddie had dinner together on this occasion at the tavern and conversed together for approximately one hour and then Tony left the tavern alone. Shortly after his departure, Slim and Freddie left the tavern.

"The next time I saw either Slim or Freddie was the day after my sister Sally returned from the hospital, at which time Slim, Freddie and another unknown man came to the tavern. On this occasion they remained over night and left the following day about noon. This occasion was around the middle of March 1935.

"The latter part of March or the first of April, I returned to the tavern about 11 o'clock at night and found at the tavern Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and Harry Campbell, who was later known to me as Georgie. From several photographs shown to me, I have selected the photograph which I identify positively as being the man known to me as Georgie and have been told that this is a photograph of Harry Campbell. On this occasion, these three men remained at the tavern until about 2 or 3 o'clock the following morning, at which time they left.

"Around this time, Tony Amersbach, in referring to Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter being at the Twilight Tavern, told me that these men were 'big shot gamblers.'

"Between this time and May 19, 1935, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter came to the Twilight Tavern on several occasions, and on May 19th they remained over night.

"On May 19, 1935, we had a chicken fry at the Twilight Tavern and on this night Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell came to the tavern some time before 11 o'clock and about 11 or 11:30 o'clock Tony Amersbach and a gambler known to me by the name of Butch arrived at the tavern. During this particular night, I was working entirely in the dining room and waited on the tables occupied by both Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and Tony Amersbach and Butch. During the first part of this night, Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis would buy a drink and have it delivered to the table of Tony Amersbach and Butch and in turn Tony Amersbach and Butch would buy a drink and have it served at the table of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. This trading of favors happened several times in the forepart of this evening. About 2:30 or 3 o'clock in the morning, Alvin Karpis had become quite intoxicated and had gone upstairs and

gone to bed. At this time Harry Campbell seated himself at the table then occupied by Tony Amersbach and Butch. Shortly after Alvin Karpis went upstairs to go to bed, Art Hebebrand, whom I knew on sight and had known for approximately six months, arrived at the tavern with his girl friend, Ruth Spangler. Art Hebebrand and Ruth Spangler obtained a table alone but shortly thereafter, they joined Tony Amersbach, Harry Campbell and Butch at Tony's table.

"About 8 or 8:30 on the same morning, Art Hebebrand and Ruth Spangler left the Twilight Tavern and shortly thereafter Tony Amersbach and Harry Campbell went upstairs and went to bed in the same room that was at that time occupied by Alvin Karpis. About 10:30 or 11 on this same morning, I recall seeing Tony Amersbach come downstairs and inquire about his breakfast. I also recall Tony left the Twilight Tavern shortly thereafter.

"About a half an hour after Tony had left the Twilight Tavern, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell came downstairs and came into the kitchen where I was at that time helping my sister, Sally. After Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell had their breakfast, I saw them give my sister Pauline \$10.00 as a tip for her services on the previous night. Shortly after this, I heard Harry Campbell inquire of my sister Sally what the bill for the party on the previous night amounted to as he wanted to pay the bill of Art Hebebrand. I heard my sister Sally tell Harry Campbell that Art Hebebrand's bill had been paid, whereupon Harry Campbell remarked that he was sorry about this as he wanted to pay Art Hebebrand's bill. He then asked concerning the bill of Alvin Karpis and himself and he paid both of these bills at this time. I recall that the bill of Alvin Karpis was \$32.00 but I do not recall the amount of Harry Campbell's bill.

"Shortly after this, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell left the Twilight Tavern. Both of these men returned about 8 o'clock the same evening and remained at the tavern and drank until about 11 or 12 on this same night. They remarked about wanting some steak for dinner, whereupon my sister Sally and Harry Campbell went out and bought four steaks. When they returned with these steaks, Alvin Karpis was upstairs and refused to come down and eat. Shortly after this, Butch, whom I have mentioned heretofore, came to the tavern and asked for 'the boys', meaning Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. At this time Butch was told that Alvin Karpis was upstairs and had refused to come down, whereupon Butch seated himself at the table and ate the steak that was intended for Alvin Karpis. Both Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis remained at the Twilight Tavern over night and around noon the following day left the tavern.

"Three or four days later, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell returned to the Twilight Tavern, at which time they brought with them Milton Lett, who was introduced to me as Willie. From several photographs exhibited to me, I have selected the picture of an individual known to me as Willie and have been told that this is a photograph of Milton Lett. Appearing on this photograph is 'Akron, Ohio, 26337 10-20-35.' These men remained at the tavern for several hours but did not stay over night on this occasion.

"On three or four occasions after this, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Milton Lett and Fred Hunter came to the tavern but I do not recall the exact occasions. After about the third or fourth time after the chicken fry, Alvin Karpis did not come to the tavern for several weeks.

"Along the latter part of July, Alvin Karpis returned to the Twilight Tavern. On this occasion Fred Hunter and Harry Campbell came to the tavern and told us that they had a surprise for us and a few minutes later, Alvin Karpis walked into the tavern. A few days after this, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell came to the Twilight Tavern and waited around for about an hour. During this time they appeared nervous and continuously looked at the clock. About 10:30 on this morning, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell left the Twilight Tavern and stated that should Sharkey Gorman come to the tavern, he should be told that they would return later in the afternoon. A short time after Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell left the tavern, Sharkey Gorman came to the Twilight Tavern and asked if 'the boys' were there. He waited around the tavern for about an hour and after a big automobile passed the tavern, Sharkey Gorman went out to the curb and this automobile turned around and picked up Sharkey Gorman. I do not know who was in this automobile or the kind of car it was.

"Around the latter part of July, Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell again came to the Twilight Tavern, at which time they remained over night. On this night Alvin Karpis became quite intoxicated early in the evening and went upstairs and went to bed.

"Although I can not recall any specific dates, I do know that Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter, and sometimes accompanied by Willie, came to the tavern thereafter off and on.

"Around the middle of September 1935, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and Sam Coker, who was introduced to me as Tommy, came to the Twilight Tavern, at which time they said they were going to New York to attend the Max Baer and Joe Louis prize fight. From several photographs exhibited to me, I have positively



identified the photograph of an individual known to me as Tommy, and have been told that this is a photograph of Sam Coker. On this photograph appear the numerals 14023. On this occasion, I think they were driving two automobiles. I heard one of these men say at this time that they had chartered an airplane to take this trip to New York in.

"About a week or ten days later, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and Sam Coker returned to the Twilight Tavern and on this occasion, they were driving two automobiles. At this time Sam Coker, who was known to me as Tommy, stated that he had won a new automobile from Alvin Karpis as a result of a bet on the prize fight.

"About 7 o'clock on this afternoon, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and Sam Coker left the Twilight Tavern, after they had said good-bye to my sisters and me, stating that they would not return for several months as they were going to California. About an hour later, all four of these men returned to the Twilight Tavern, at which time Harry Campbell and my sister Pauline went into our orchard and gathered a basket of pears. They remained at the tavern until about 10:30 on this evening. Since they left the Twilight Tavern on this occasion, I have not seen either of these individuals.

"On May 1, 1936, my sister Sally was in Deaconess Hospital and on this date the Cleveland newspapers carried the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell and an article that stated that Alvin Karpis had been captured in New Orleans, La. My sister Pauline and I went to the hospital and showed these pictures to my sister Sally and it was at this time that I first learned the identity of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

"During the time that Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and the rest of this gang were frequenting the Twilight Tavern, on numerous occasions, I saw pistols on the persons of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter. I saw these individuals give their pistols to my sister Sally, handing them across the bar, stating, 'Sally, put the hardware away.'

"I know, having learned from my sister Sally, that Fred Hunter worked at the Harvard Club, and on one occasion was told by Harry Campbell that Milton Lett was also employed at that club. I have never visited the Harvard Club except on one occasion and at that time I did not see any of the members of this gang.

"On or about October 2nd, I was interviewed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio, and on the day following this interview, I was at 7403 Denison Avenue. At this place I had conversation with Tony Amersbach and he inquired as to what I had told the Agents when I was interviewed and he told me at this time that I should not identify any photographs except the boys at the club. . . Shortly



after this, I was at the Clinton Club in the presence of Tony Amersbach, at which time he told me that if I did admit anything to the Government men 'that I would only be putting myself in the bag.'

"On Friday, November 6, 1936, I was again at the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and when I returned to 7403 Denison Avenue, Tony Amersbach again asked me what I had told and why I had been at the above office; he again told me that I should not identify any of the photographs or admit anything relative to this investigation. My sister Pauline was present during the above conversation.

"I make this statement freely and voluntarily for the purpose of giving all information in my possession in reference to this matter.

WITNESSES:

/s/ FLORENCE JASANY

A. P. Kitchin  
E. J. Wynn,  
Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

(SEAL)

STATE OF OHIO )  
COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA ) ss.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by  
Florence Jasany, this 11th day of November 1936.

Alice Helen Hughes  
Notary Public  
My commission expires 12/12/38."

In addition to the above statements Sally Jackson informed Agents that she had previously identified the photograph of Benson Groves, in the presence of S. K. McKee, and A. P. Kitchin, due to the fact that she had some information that she desired to give these Agents relative to the fact that Benson Groves, during the summer of 1936, was allegedly seen by her in Cleveland. She stated, however, that she had never seen this individual at the Twilight Tavern to her knowledge.

Sally Jackson stated that she had obtained information from a woman friend, whose name she refused to divulge, that a man by the name of Pat, whom she identified as Benson Groves, was associated with a man by the name of Pete and that these two individuals frequented a beer tavern in the vicinity of 82nd Street and Hough Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. She stated that this woman friend had informed her that on one occasion she observed Pete and Pat in an argument over the division of approximately \$4,500, at which time Pat had made the remark that he would do bodily harm to Pete in the event a division could not be made. She stated that on this same date she was with this woman friend in the vicinity of 105th Street and Euclid Avenue, at which time this woman told her she was to meet Pete and Pat to deliver a message to them; that she later observed a new Ford roadster drive up to the curb, at which time this woman friend talked to both Pete and Pat; that she observed Pat and she is reasonably sure that this individual is identical with Benson Groves.

Sally Jackson again observed the photograph of Benson Groves, at which time she stated this photograph greatly resembled the individual known to her as Pat, but she had not seen this individual since approximately July 1936. She was further questioned relative to this matter, but she stated that she would rather not divulge any further information for fear of embarrassing this particular woman friend. However, it was thought advisable that Sally Jackson be reinterviewed in this regard at a later date.

Sally Jackson stated that on May 19, 1935, when the chicken fry at the Twilight Tavern was in progress, Victor Gajdos of 3455 West 52nd Street, and his three piece orchestra, were entertaining at the tavern and that she is reasonably certain that the members of this orchestra would be able to identify the photographs of Alvin Karpis and other individuals in attendance at this chicken fry, including Art Hebebrand and Tony Amersbach. She stated with reference to this fact that both Karpis and Hebebrand paid large amounts for request numbers played by this orchestra on this occasion. She also stated

that on two or three occasions when Alvin Karpis was present at the Twilight Tavern a pianist by the name of Howard was entertaining at the tavern, and that on one occasion she recalls that Alvin Karpis specifically requested her to go to the home of Howard and bring him to the Twilight Tavern to entertain him on this evening. She stated in this connection that the favorite song of Alvin Karpis was the Missouri Waltz, and that Harry Campbell often requested his favorite number, the Rabash Blues.

After the interview with Sally Jackson, and while Agents were en route to 7403 Denison Avenue, Sally Jackson pointed out a place on Ridgefield Avenue, which she stated was the residence of Waldy, or Walter, last name unknown, who delivered ice to the Twilight Tavern and who is personally acquainted with the pianist by the name of Howard. She stated she has no doubt but that this information could be obtained from Waldy. She also stated that Waldy was also well known at Pete's Wayside Inn on Ridge Road, and that if she was mistaken relative to the residence of Waldy, that same could be obtained from the manager of Pete's Wayside Inn.

With reference to the above-mentioned chicken fry, on May 19, 1935, Sally Jackson stated that six or seven men became intoxicated on this occasion and this necessitated their remaining at the Twilight Tavern over night. She stated that a man by the name of Jack, last name unknown, whose mother operates a restaurant at 65th Street and Clark Avenue, remained at the tavern this night; also Tony Zaponi, who operates a spaghetti joint at 87th and Lorain Avenue; a man by the name of George Rumble, who lives on 81st Street off Lorain Avenue, and who is an electrician by trade and who frequents the Harvard Club, also remained at this tavern over night in an intoxicated condition.

Sally Jackson also stated that her brothers, John Jasany, who was the bartender on this occasion, and Andy Jasany, who helped in the kitchen, are both employed by the Gair-Cleveland Cartons, Inc. and will probably remember Karpis and Campbell and also other individuals at the tavern on this occasion, including Hebebrand and Tony Amersbach, sufficiently to identify their photographs.

Agents were further advised by Sally Jackson, that at one time, shortly after she returned from the hospital in March 1935, she was informed by her sister Pauline that she, Pauline, Tony Amersbach, Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis had gone to the Lindy Tavern operated by their sister, Marie ~~Toman~~ at Berea; that Pauline informed her that Tony Amersbach had given her \$20, stating that she should purchase drinks for Karpis and Campbell as they had spent a good deal of money

at the Twilight Tavern. Sally stated she could not recall whether or not Karpis and Campbell were alleged to have gone in the same automobile with Pauline and Tony or whether they drove their own automobile to Berea. Sally stated that her sister Marie also frequented the Twilight Tavern during occasions when Karpis and Campbell were present, and that she would probably recall them sufficiently to identify their photographs.

Sally Jackson also stated that on one occasion shortly after she came home from the hospital in March 1935, Officer Louis Kilmer of the Parma Heights Police, came to the Twilight Tavern, at which time Karpis and Campbell were present; that Kilmer had numerous drinks with Karpis and Campbell and Alvin Karpis on this occasion gave Kilmer about ten LaPalina cigars; that on the following day she, Sally, had occasion to drive into Parma Heights, and Officer Kilmer gave her a ticket for speeding; that she returned to the Twilight Tavern and told Karpis of this incident. She stated that at this time Karpis was quite drunk and he made some remark relative to the fact that he would dispose of this officer, whereupon Harry Campbell, who was sober on this occasion, told Karpis to "Shut up or you will talk too much." She also stated that on the morning after the chicken fry, and on May 20, 1935, Louis Kilmer again came to the Twilight Tavern, at which time Karpis and Campbell were eating their breakfast; that at this time Kilmer greeted both Karpis and Campbell. She stated that Kilmer then proceeded to lecture her relative to allowing the Twilight Tavern to remain open all night, whereupon she took exception to his statement and engaged in a short argument with him and as a result he left, whereupon Karpis complimented her on her spunk and told her that she was the kind of a woman he liked. She also stated that Kilmer was at the tavern on other occasions but she could not recall the specific dates.

Sally stated that Helene Kachmere, who resides at 1588 Lakewood Avenue, frequented assisted her at the Twilight Tavern during 1935 on occasions when she had special dinners; that she specifically recalls that Helene was assisting her on the night of May 19, 1935 at the above mentioned chicken fry. She stated that this girl waited on the tables in the dining room and had occasion to see everyone in this dining room. She stated that she recalls that when Helene left around 8 A. M. on May 20, 1935, she remarked to Tony that she had to drive Helene to her home, whereupon Tony gave Helene a \$5 bill and told her to take a cab. She is of the opinion that Tony Amersbach had previously given this girl a large tip of either \$5 or \$10.

Sally Jackson stated that she was moving from 7403 Denison Avenue, and that her new address would be 6511 Laverne Avenue.

She stated that she had previously identified the photograph of John Brock as being a frequenter of the Twilight Tavern, however, reconsideration of this fact brought her to the conclusion that she could not positively identify this photograph but will state he may have been at the tavern, but she does not definitely recall him. It is to be recalled in this regard that in the statements furnished by John Brock he claimed to have been at the Twilight Tavern on only one occasion and then for a short time.

Sally Jackson promised Agents that she would endeavor to ascertain the identity of the gambler by the name of Dan, and also the unknown individual who accompanied Karpis, Campbell, Art Hebebrand and Dan on the occasion mentioned in her statement, and would notify this office at the earliest possible date.

It is thought advisable that Sally Jackson be reinterviewed at the address above given for further details relative to the identity of this individual, and also for such other information as she may be able to furnish relative to the whereabouts of Benson Groves.

Careful consideration should be given to the fact that any outward interviews with the individuals mentioned in her statement, or her relatives, at this time might let it become known that these girls had given statements, and that all investigation conducted in an effort to corroborate their statements should be conducted in a very discreet manner.

Agent telephonically communicated with the Sports Editor of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, at which time it was ascertained that the Louis-Baer fight was staged in New York City on September 24, 1935.

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ADDENDUM

Subsequent to the completion of this report the statement of Lillian Marea was checked and with reference to the statement contained in the letter from the Chicago Bureau Field Division dated November 6, 1936, it is noted that reference is inadvertently made to a Graham Paige coupe. The statement of Lillian Marea states that upon the arrival of Sharkey Gorman at the house of Edith Barry on the night in question, he was driving a green Graham Paige sedan.

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November 19, 1936.

R. B. Nathan  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
412 U. S. Court House and P. O.  
Jacksonville, Florida.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

November 20, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

On November 18, 1936, Attorney Leo Kline, who represented Clara Gibson, the widow of Russell Gibson, during the investigation of the above-entitled matter, called at this Division relative to the possibility of entering suit against the insurance company on two \$500.00 life insurance policies held by Gibson. It was his desire to ascertain whether he would be able to make any showing in indicating that the death of Gibson was accidental under the accidental clause in the insurance policies.

Attorney Kline was interviewed by Inspector E. J. Connelley and the writer and was informed with respect to the nature of the charges pending against Gibson at the time of his death and as to the fact that Gibson was killed while attempting to assault Government Officers with a dangerous weapon. Attorney Kline indicated that in view of that information he did not believe that it would be possible for him to enter any such suit.

Mr. Kline was also advised that before any testimony could be furnished by an Agent of this Bureau with respect to the apprehension of Gibson it would be necessary that a Court Order be obtained requesting that the specific information desired be furnished by the Attorney General. He then indicated that he did not believe he would enter any suit but that in the event he changed his mind he would communicate with this Office on a later occasion.

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Very truly yours,

NOV 25 1936

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Bureau  
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Detroit  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. McDermott *WLB*

FROM : W. L. Bailey *WLB*

SUBJECT: *0* EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
(BUFILE 7-576)

DATE: 7-3-75

During a survey conducted of all file material in the Filing Unit to establish a data base for the proposed File Automated Control System (FACS), an extensive number of enclosures behind file which bore no serial number were detected. Most of this material is very old and some may possibly be destroyed when time permits a review of these enclosures by the appropriate substantive desk supervisors. However, the immediate objective is to record this material in the data base now being prepared. A serial number is necessary to provide a means of entry and recall of such enclosures in the proposed automated file request system. Attached is one of these enclosure behind file envelopes which should be assigned the same serial number that is given to this cover memorandum to be placed on record in above-captioned case. It is to be noted this form is for internal use only within the Records Section and is to be filed without further routing after being placed on record and the enclosure detached. When the enclosure is detached for appropriate filing, this action should be clearly noted under the word "Enclosure."

## RECOMMENDATION:

That this cover memorandum be placed on record as a not recorded "green" serial in above-captioned case in order to assign a serial number to the attached enclosure as indicated above.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation..

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #2118  
Detroit, Michigan  
November 20, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith, in duplicate, copies of letters written by Wynona Burdette under date of November 12, 1936, to her mother and to Mr. and Mrs. Karpis. Copies of these letters are also being transmitted to the field divisions listed below.

Photostatic copies of the original letters were received at the Detroit Field Division through Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Very truly yours,

*Herold H. Reinecke*

Herold H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Karpis,

I have been waiting to write you until I heard the parole boards decision. They were here two weeks ago but as yet I haven't heard anything about it. I'm pretty sure I know what it will be but then, of course, accidents do happen - so who knows - I won't write to Clara until the papers come in and then she can let you know what happens. If it weren't for Little Ray I wouldn't care so much what happened - naturally I would want to get out any way - but I know I wouldn't care near so badly.

How is everyone? I do hope you are okay and things are going alright. How is Alvin? Does he still seem to be cheerful? I know how hard it is for him but I believe he can take it in the right way.

How is Little Ray getting along now? Does he seem to be growing very fast? Clara sent me his measurements and I was certainly surprised - I knew he was pretty big now but I didn't realize he was quite as large as he is.

How is Emily and Betty Jane? Say "Hello" to them for me.

My subscription for the St. Paul paper will be up next month and I don't believe I shall take it any more. It isn't a very good paper and I rather think I would enjoy a Chicago paper more. I've been thinking of getting the Herald & Examiner. Don't you think that the best Chicago paper?

I haven't heard from my brother yet this month and I can't figure out why. He most always writes me the first part of each month.

It's getting pretty cold up here now but we haven't had any snow as yet. I really don't know of anything more to write about so I shall say goodbye for now.

Send my love to Alvin and give Ray a big hug and kiss for me.

Love

Dolores

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Dearest Mother:

What is wrong? In the last letter you sent me you said you hadn't heard from me in six weeks and I've written to you once every month and you know that's all I can do. The last letter you sent me was dated Sept. 29 - and you know that's been way over a month ago. Why haven't you written since? Have you been sick or what? I do wish you would write soon.

You also said in your letter that you had received those crochet patterns and sent them with your letter. I didn't get them. Did you copy the directions on a plain sheet of paper as I said to - or just send them as they were? Let me know.

Well, the parole boards been here and gone although I haven't heard the decision yet. Don't get any high hopes about it tho' 'cause I don't expect a thing from it and no matter what it is I can take it.

Say, Mother, would you please send me that picture of myself that I sent you - the one with the hat on is the one I mean. I have a very special reason for asking for it, honey, please send it, won't you? You will have the other one and it's really the best of the two. And, honey, when Babe lived on Edmund street we took some pictures out in her back yard. I've asked her about them and she never mentioned them. I was wondering if you had them and if you did if you would send me a couple. Babe and Jean and I were in some of them and they are the one's I would like to have if I could. And listen, you bunch of sweetness, you, are you ever going to send me a picture of yourself. You know you've promised and promised me one. You know I've got two years left in here and I'd kind of like to have your picture here to look at every once in awhile. It would make me feel mighty fine. How about it, darling, pretty please?

I haven't heard from Bud this month as yet but suppose I will soon. Got a real sweet letter from Babe the last of last month. Did I tell you about the pictures she sent me the month before last. They were grand. They were pictures of herself, Bobby and one of Jean although the one with Jean in it is so blurred you can't make out anything but figures. I haven't heard from Jean in just ever so long. Sometimes I get so mad at her I don't know what to do. What in the world is the matter with her anyway I would like to know. She is mutty or something to go and marry that goofy Dick after the way he treated her before, and Bud says now that he stays at his sisters and Jean has a room of her own and even tho' Dick makes about \$50 a week Jean is lucky if she gets \$10 of it. Why she will just sit and take that kind of stuff - I'll never be able to understand. I certainly couldn't care anything for a man like that.

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20 5 MAR 24 1965 Karpis' are certainly good to me - they have been doing everything possible to help me make parole but I don't think it will do any good. I don't believe I've got a suckers chance of making it. I just love

Mrs. Karpis - she's a dandy. And Clara - that's one of Alvin's sisters - is just grand. She writes me every week and her letters are always just as sweet as they can be. Emily she's another one of Alvin's sisters - writes pretty often and her little 12 yr. old daughter - Betty Jane writes me real cute letters every once in awhile.

You know I've been taking the St. Paul Dispatch for awhile. I took it for six months and the time will be up next month. I don't believe I shall take it any more - it isn't worth a darn as far as news is concerned. I believe I will start taking the Chicago Herald and Examiner if I can. I am sure I will get much more enjoyment out of it.

I heard that Dad was in Chicago but I haven't heard from him. Karpis' wrote and said he was over to see Little Ray and was pretty crazy about him. Gee - I don't see how anyone could keep from loving him - he's adorable. Honestly, Mother, have you ever seen a baby as sweet and cute as that darling of mine. I'm serious, I don't believe there ever was or ever will be another one even half as sweet.

Well, honey, I'll say goodbye 'cause I can't think of another thing to say. I'm feeling fine as usual - Behave yourself and write me real soon - and don't forget the picture of yourself.

Oodles of hugs & kisses

Your baby

Dolores

Please send the picture of me that I asked for, honey. Won't you?

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November 19, 1936

J. P. MacFarland,  
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE GEORGE H. MEYER; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVE; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> Ascertained Lou Higgins presently residing apartment #24, Seney Apartments, 16th and Monroe St., Toledo. Lulu Selander, relief cook at 42nd Street Cafe, identifies photo of Benson Groves as individual known to her as Ben, a patron of that cafe. Harry Manson, Toledo Police Department, identifies photo of Benson Groves as individual known to him as Ben Sweet, an ex-convict, employed as "front door man" at 42nd Street Cafe during spring of 1936. Harry Zahrley, Manager of the Elks Club, Toledo, advises Joe Roscoe informed him that Buster Williams and Coolie Monroe were to bring in work boat Jo-Jo from Middle Island to Bay View Yacht Club, Point Place, for dry docking; that Williams would return to Middle Island for winter, and Monroe expected to leave for Leamington, Ontario, Canada, to obtain employment. Surveillance at Bay View Yacht Club developed that boat Jo-Jo brought in by Buster Williams and McCormick, who stated Monroe working on ice house at Middle Island. [REDACTED] furnished information concerning Wayne Preston, and will endeavor secure further information regarding him. Perrysburg, Ohio, post office has no record of L. C. Reynolds or L. C. Fleming. Investigation at Sandusky and Lorain, Ohio, failed to disclose any information concerning Coolie Monroe. Surveillance maintained at Kelley's Island, Ohio, to locate Coolie Monroe, unproductive of results.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>J. P. MacFarland</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE RTR	
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated at  
Cleveland, Ohio, 11/9/36.

DETAILS: AT TOLEDO, PERRYSBURG, SANDUSKY, LORAIN, and  
KELLEY'S ISLAND, OHIO.

This report covers the investigative activities of  
Special Agents E. J. Wynn, H. B. Dill, A. J. Norstrom, A. Dickstein  
and J. V. Murphy.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on November 4, 1936:

In connection with efforts to locate Lou Higgins, former bartender at the Goulet Grill, Agents learned from Bert Ford, 2430 Scottwood Avenue, that Higgins had served a year's sentence at the Lucas County Workhouse at Whitehouse, Ohio. Inquiry of M. Hirsch, superintendent at that place, revealed that Higgins had made a visit to that workhouse on the preceding Sunday, and advised Hirsch that he was cited to appear in Domestic Relations Court in Toledo, Ohio, on Friday, November 7, 1936.

Inquiry at the Clerk's office, Domestic Relations Court, Toledo, revealed that Higgins now resides at the Seney Apartments, 16th and Monroe Streets, apartment 24, which, it will be noted, is the apartment of Deane Allen. Agents made several attempts to locate Higgins at that address, without success, and were also unable to locate Dean Allen for interview.

In connection with efforts to locate Benson Groves, Agents contacted Lulu Selander, 254 Marion Street, Toledo, who informed that she remembered Groves, known to her as Ben, as a steady patron of the 42nd Street Cafe all last winter. She was employed at that time as a relief cook at that place on Monday nights. She further advised that her daughter, Frances, contemplates returning to the home of Joe Roscoe in the very near future, and that both of them will make every effort to learn of the present whereabouts of Groves.



The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on November 4, 1936.

While on other official matters, Agents contacted Detective Harry K. Manson of the Toledo Police Department, who advised that last winter he learned that Jack Broadway had hired one Ben Sweet, a safe cracker, who was recently released from the penitentiary as a "watch dog" at the 42nd Street Cafe, and that he customarily kept watch at the front door of the cafe. Manson informed that he had been tipped off by other detectives of this fact, and had personally seen Sweet at the cafe. When shown a photograph of Benson Groves, Manson informed that this was a likeness of Sweet. He advised further that this individual had not been around the cafe since the spring of 1936, but that he believed him to be a friend of Eddie Szeman or Seaman, who is wanted by the local authorities at Marion, Ohio, for safe burglary, and for whom a wanted circular had been issued.

Detective Harry Manson also advised that the recent bombing of the Cadillac automobile of Benny Harris, proprietor of the Superior Sports Center, had arisen out of a dispute between Shimmy Patton and Benny Harris for control of the Numbers Racket in Toledo, Ohio. Manson informed that he had learned that Patton had sent Robert McGee, a colored racketeer, who resides at 2120 East 9th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, to Toledo with two white men to place numerous \$150.00 bets on the numbers, and when these numbers won, Harris refused to pay off, and returned the bets to McGee and the others, with the admonition that they should leave Toledo immediately. The day following this incident, Harris' automobile was bombed in the garage at the rear of his apartment. Captain George Timiney was assigned to investigate this matter, and for this reason Manson took no further action in this matter, and he voluntarily offered this information to the Bureau for whatever assistance it may render to this investigation.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on November 4, 1936.

As will be noted, Perry Hicks advised that Harry Zahrley, manager of the Elks Club, Toledo, obtained employment for one "Bill" as a waiter at Middle Island in 1934.

In an effort to obtain Bill's true name, Agents contacted Zahrley at the offices of Broning and Zahrley, Colton Building, Toledo, Ohio. He informed that he knew of no Bill at Middle Island in 1934, but obtained employment during the 1935 season at Middle Island for Cecil Clemens, a high-school student, presently employed in the kitchen of the Elks Club in Toledo.

During the course of conversation, Zahrley mentioned that he had been at Middle Island on the Thursday preceding the interview, and he had been advised by Coolie Monroe, who was at the Island with Buster Williams, that he, Monroe, had obtained employment in Canada, and contemplated proceeding to Canada after leaving the Island.

Zahrley further advised that he had talked with Joe Roscoe several days previously, and Roscoe advised him that Monroe and Williams, were to definitely close the Island on the week end of November 8, 1936, and that Monroe and Williams would bring Roscoe's fishing lugger, the "Jo-Jo" to the Bay View Yacht Club, Point Place, for dry dock; Williams was then to proceed back to the Island for the remainder of the winter, while Monroe was contemplating leaving for Canada. According to Zahrley, Williams was to be taken back to the Island by Brown's boat livery at Lakeside, Ohio. Zahrley further informed that Roscoe's new yacht, Rainbow the Third, is already in dry dock at the Bay View Yacht Club.

Discreet inquiry by Agent Dickstein at the Bayview Yacht Club of Al Varish, who is now engaged in taking the boats out of the harbor for dry docking, revealed that the "Jo-Jo" has not arrived at the Yacht Club as yet, but that it is customarily brought in each year at this time.

While conducting investigation at the Bay View Yacht Club, Point Place, Ohio, Agent Dickstein made the acquaintance of James Nonnenmacher, who resides at 3728 North Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio. Nonnenmacher is 16 years of age and he informed that for the past five years he has delivered the Toledo Times, Blade and News-Bee for residents at Point Place, including the "Broadway brothers" at the Casino Club on Summit Street. He related that he had seen Captain

George Timiney and Detective Art Langendorf in the Casino Club on numerous occasions, and that he had delivered papers to the "Broadways", apparently meaning Bert and Ted Angus, three or four times daily, while they were operating the Casino Club. Agent did not advise Nonnenmacher of his official status, but he will be again contacted in the very near future for interview.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. J. Wynn and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, November 9, 1936: b7d

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated November 9, 1936, wherein it is set out in the interview of Special Agents J. V. Murphy and H. B. Dill with [redacted] that [redacted] would endeavor to get the present address of Ludy Fleming, who is now residing in Cleveland, Ohio, for the purpose of furnishing Agents with this information. [redacted] on being contacted at his place of business, stated that he has not yet been able to get Ludy Fleming's address in Cleveland; that he has to be exceptionally discreet in making inquiry with reference to anything or anybody connected with this case in view of the fact that he gets most of his information from his wife and he would dislike very much to have her know or suspect that he was getting information for Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

[redacted] and that if Agents would call on him some time after that date he would no doubt be able to furnish them with Fleming's address. [redacted] will be contacted the first part of the week beginning November 15, 1936, for the purpose of getting the above discussed information.

With reference to Coolie Monroe or Colin Munro, mentioned in reference report, [redacted] stated that he has not been able to ascertain Monroe's present whereabouts or where Monroe will be in the future.

It will be noted in reference report that [redacted] stated that Ludy Fleming told him that one of the persons who participated in the robbery of the mail truck at Warren, Ohio, in the spring of 1935, was Wayne Preston, who is now in Cuba on the "lam." [redacted] on being questioned with regard to what he knows about Wayne Preston, stated he has known Preston for several years; that Preston was a former prohibition agent for the state of Ohio and was a partner of Ludy Fleming; that he does not remember the exact time that Preston was a state prohibition agent, but he thinks it was during the time Ludy Fleming was first appointed a state prohibition agent. [redacted] stated that shortly after Preston had been appointed to the position of state prohibition officer, Preston and his partner, Ludy Fleming, raided a bootlegging joint [redacted] and his partner arrested the two women and at that time Preston fell in love

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with Mildred Kuhlman, and as a result stopped the "rap"; that Mildred Kuhlman and Preston lived together from that time until shortly after the sale of beer was legalized, in 1933, at which time she left him because he did not have any money to support her. [redacted] stated that about a year ago Mildred Kuhlman received a letter from Preston in which he stated that he was going to pull a job that would net him about \$50,000, and that if he was successful he would send for her. [redacted] stated that, to his knowledge, Mildred Kuhlman has not heard from Preston since that time.

[redacted] described Wayne Preston to Agents as follows:

Age	-	About 40 years
Height	-	5'10"
Weight	-	160 pounds
Hair	-	Black and wears it slicked back.

Neat, well dressed and nice looking.

[redacted] stated that he would get more information with reference to Wayne Preston from Lady Fleming and his wife when [redacted]

[redacted] if he could discreetly do so and that he would furnish Agents with this information if they would call on him after his return to Toledo, Ohio, on Monday, November 16, 1936.

In conclusion [redacted] stated that while Fleming and Preston served as state prohibition officers their headquarters were at Youngstown, Ohio, and their territory covered twenty-one counties in that vicinity. He stated, however, that he was unable to state the exact time that Wayne Preston served in this capacity, or the reason for his discharge. [redacted] stated that if Preston had ever served time in the penitentiary he had no knowledge of it.

The Cincinnati office is being requested by letter to check the records of the Department of Liquor Control at Columbus, Ohio, for the purpose of ascertaining the date when Preston was employed as a state prohibition officer, his home address at that time, the names and addresses of his relatives, the reason for his discharge and any other pertinent information with reference to Preston that might be contained in the records of that department. The Cincinnati office is also being requested to obtain a picture of Preston from the above-mentioned department, if one is available, in order that same might be exhibited to witnesses of the Warren, Ohio, mail truck robbery in the spring of 1935, for possible identification.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and E. B. Dill at Perrysburg, Ohio, on November 6 and 7, 1936:

Reference is made to letter of the Cincinnati field division dated November 4, 1936, setting out that L. C. Reynolds, an alias of Ludy Fleming, on July 8, 1936, left a forwarding address at apartment 211, 2301 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, as RR #3, Perrysburg, Ohio.

On November 6, 1936, Mr. P. C. Sutter, clerk, Perrysburg, Ohio Post Office, was interviewed and after checking the records of rural carrier number three, stated they have no record of L. C. Reynolds. A check of the forwarding addresses failed to develop any record of L. C. Reynolds. In view of the fact that Ludy Fleming is married to (or living with) one Rene Holst the records of the Perrysburg Post Office were also checked for the name of Rene Holst. These records did not reveal her name, however, rural carrier for route number three has a record of one Oscar C. Holst, who is, no doubt, the father of Rene Holst.

Joe Madden, carrier on rural route number three, Perrysburg, Ohio, was interviewed on November 7, 1936, and he stated that he has no recollection of ever delivering any mail on his route addressed to L. C. Reynolds or L. C. Fleming, and does not know of any such person residing on rural route number three.

Regarding Oscar C. Holst, Box 86, rural route number three, Madden stated that Mr. and Mrs. Holst are elderly people and have married children, but he does not know any of the children or where they reside.

It will be noted elsewhere in this report that [redacted] stated he would get Ludy Fleming's address [redacted] and would furnish this information to Agents of this Bureau after his return to Toledo, Ohio, on November 16, 1936. Therefore, [redacted] will be interviewed at a later date for the purpose of securing Fleming's Cleveland address.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and H. B. Dill on November 6 and 7, 1936:

A review of the file in the office of the United States Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, on the closed case of U. S. vs. GEORGE ZEBRLY and COLIN MUNRO, violation of the Customs Smuggling Laws, reflects that at the time of the arrest in August 1931, Zebrly gave his address as 331 Perkins Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio, and Colin Munro gave his address as 1743 East 31st Street, Lorain, Ohio. Investigation was conducted at Sandusky and Lorain, Ohio on November 7, 1936, with the view of locating persons acquainted with Colin Munro, who might furnish information concerning his nativity and nationality.

Agents attempted to locate the address given by Zebrly at the time of his arrest in 1931, 331 Perkins Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio, but it was ascertained that this address was a vacant lot. Agents then called at the Sandusky Post Office and were informed by one of the post office clerks that there was nobody by the name of George Zebrly registered in the post office directory, nor had the post office had a record of any such person since 1934. The clerk stated that the post office records do not go back prior to 1934. The clerk further stated that he could not recall a house located at 331 Perkins Avenue; that, however, there was a man by the name of Charlie Knapp, who was operating a general store in the vicinity of 331 Perkins Avenue and he would be able to give Agents information concerning persons who have lived in that neighborhood for the past twenty or twenty-five years.

Agents checked the Sandusky City Directory for 1934 and it was ascertained that there was no house listed therein with the number 331 Perkins Avenue.

Mr. Charles Knapp, 2238 Campbell Street, on being interviewed, stated that he has been living in that neighborhood for more than twenty-five years; that he does not ever recall a house being located on the lot at 331 Perkins Avenue. On further questioning Mr. Knapp stated that the house at 333 Perkins Avenue was occupied, in 1931, by a man by the name of Bill Grieves; that Grieves was a bootlegger and he had a number of other bootleggers staying at his house all the time he lived at that address; that Grieves left town about four or five years ago and he has not heard from him since, nor does he know where Grieves went when he left Sandusky. Mr. Knapp stated that he does not know George Zebrly or Colin Munro (Coolie Monroe); that he did not know any of the men's names who lived with Bill Grieves at 333 Perkins Avenue in 1931.

Mr. Knapp was asked if he knew anybody who lived on Middle Island at the time Bill Grieves lived at 333 Perkins Avenue, and he stated that he did not, but that Grieves and the gang that stayed at his house got most of the bootleg liquor by smuggling it in through Middle Island. Mr. Knapp was asked if he knew this to be a fact, to which he answered that he did not, but that it was common knowledge at that time.

Mrs. Joseph Catich, 1743 East 31st Street, Lorain, Ohio, was interviewed and stated that she and her husband purchased their present home, 1743 East 31st Street, in the year 1929; that they have lived in the house since that time and at no time have they had a roomer by the name of Colin Munro or Coolie Monroe and that she does not know a person by either of those names. It would appear from this investigation that Colin Munro gave a fictitious address.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and J. V. Murphy at Kelley's Island, Ohio, November 9 to 14, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated November 9, 1936, wherein on page eleven, is set out an interview with Mr. William Brown, in which interview he advised that persons on Middle Island could reach the mainland by proceeding to Kelley's Island, Ohio, thence to Sandusky, Ohio, via the Kelley's Island-Sandusky ferry, which would be the cheapest method of travel to the mainland. Mr. Brown further stated that little or no check is kept on persons coming to the mainland at Sandusky, Ohio, from Middle Island, in Canadian territory, via Kelley's Island, Ohio, and further that Kelley's Island is the closest point to Middle Island, and no doubt Buster Williams makes frequent visits to Kelley's Island to visit fishermen friends of his on Kelley's Island.

Pursuant to instructions of Inspector E. J. Connelley, Agents, on November 9, 1936, proceeded to Kelley's Island, Ohio, where surveillance of Middle Island was maintained from a point located on North Bay, Kelley's Island, where fishermen fishing in waters near Middle Island unload their fish and tie up their boats. It will be noted here that on a clear day Middle Island is clearly visible to a person at North Bay, Kelley's Island.

Discreet inquiries were made of fishermen at North Bay as to fishing conditions around Middle Island, and whether or not the



Island was still open. Several fishermen informed Agents that fishing was fair in the vicinity of Middle Island, and at present there were three individuals at Middle Island, namely, Buster Williams, McCormack and another individual described as five feet six inches, and this person was working on a new ice house; that the hotel on the island is closed for the season. Agents were also advised by these fishermen that the new ice house is presently being painted, and from their understanding it would be several days before the job was completed; that Buster Williams is well known to quite a number of residents of Kelley's Island, and Williams makes frequent trips to Kelley's Island. Agents at no time disclosed their identity to any persons on Kelley's Island, with the exception of Mr. F. J. Lange, Postmaster, who advised Agents that Gilbert "Mike" Reidy, a fisherman, living on Kelley's Island, is known to fish with Buster Williams about twice a week, and Reidy might be in possession of information as to persons now on Middle Island.

Mr. Lange, Postmaster, Kelley's Island, at Agents' suggestion, agreed to discreetly ascertain from "Mike" Reidy if Coolie Monroe was still on Middle Island, and what Monroe's future plans might be after completing the ice house on Middle Island, and requested that Agents contact him the following day, which will give him sufficient time to contact Reidy.

On November 11, 1936, Agents were advised by Postmaster Lange that "Mike" Reidy had informed him that Coolie Monroe was still on Middle Island working on a new ice house, and he would be on the Island several days longer; that he does not know Monroe's plans after completion of the ice house.

In view of this information, Agents maintained surveillance of arrival and departure of boats at South Bay and North Bay, Kelley's Island, in view of the possibility of Coolie Monroe's coming to Kelley's Island from Middle Island with some fisherman, and proceeding to the mainland via ferry or hired boat. This surveillance was maintained from November 9 to 14, 1936.

On November 13, 1936, Postmaster Lange advised Agents that "Mike" Reidy had informed him that Coolie Monroe indicated to him that he does not intend returning to the mainland of the United States, and he contemplates securing employment in Canada. In view of this information further surveillance at Kelley's Island, Ohio, was discontinued by Agents on November 13, 1936, and arrangements were made with Postmaster Lange, whereby he will endeavor to secure the future address of Coolie Monroe, subsequent to his departure from Middle Island, if successful, will notify the Cleveland Bureau field division by letter. The address of the Cleveland Bureau field division was furnished to Postmaster Lange.

Further efforts will be made to locate Coolie Monroe after his departure from Middle Island.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent H. B. Dill on November 13, 1936:

During a previous interview with Mr. William Brown, manager of the Worthy R. Brown and Son, Inc. (boat works), Lakeside, Ohio, he informed Agents that the people who stayed on Middle Island often used his boats to come to the mainland; that when they do use his boats they always come into Lakeside, where his boat house is located. It will also be noted in report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated November 9, 1936, that when Buster Williams and a man named McCormick came in from Middle Island to the Toledo Yacht Club, Toledo, Ohio, to put away the launch Jo-Jo for the winter, they were interviewed and they stated that Coolie Monroe was building an ice house on Middle Island and when the ice house was finished, which would probably be about November 12 or 13, 1936, Coolie would return to the mainland through Lakeside, Ohio.

Mr. Brown agreed to call Agent at Port Clinton, Ohio, in the event he got a telephone call from Middle Island or Kelley's Island to come to either of these islands for passengers. Kelley's Island is only about three miles from Middle Island and it is where the persons living on Middle Island go to use the telephone.

On November 11, 1936 Mr. Brown telephonically contacted Agent and stated that he intended to go to Middle Bass Island, Ohio on Friday, November 13, 1936; that Middle Bass Island is only a short distance from Middle Island, and if Agent cared to go with him he would stop at Middle Island on his return to Lakeside under the pretext of buying fish from Buster Williams and while there Agent could learn definitely whether or not Coolie Monroe is still on the Island. Agent agreed to meet Mr. Brown at the Worthy R. Brown and Son, Inc., Lakeside, Ohio, at 9 A. M. on the specified date.

On contacting Mr. Brown at his boat house at Lakeside on November 13, 1936, he stated that he had decided not to take the trip. He advised Agent that he had definitely ascertained that Coolie was still on Middle Island; that Monroe knew that Bureau Agents were looking for him, and for this reason it would be foolish for him to take a stranger to the Island, because Monroe would immediately suspect the truth and that would hurt his, Brown's, business. Mr. Brown stated that Coolie knew he was being sought because a number of his acquaintances had told him that the G-men were looking for him.

Mr. Brown stated that he did not know how long Coolie Monroe would stay on Middle Island; that while he, Brown was talking to one of Monroe's friends the day before this interview, he asked this friend if Monroe intended to stay on the Island all winter; that the man said, "Yes," and then quickly changed the subject, as though he did not want to talk about the matter.

Middle Island is in Canadian waters and for this reason it was decided to wait until Monroe returns to the United States before interviewing him. In view of the fact that Kelley's Island is within the boundaries of the United States and is only a short distance from Middle Island, Mr. Brown was asked if Coolie Monroe ever visited Kelley's Island. He stated that Monroe, as well as Buster Williams, who was also on Middle Island, go to Kelley's Island quite often to get wine; that Middle Island was closed for the winter and Williams and Monroe could not get anything to drink there.

Mr. Brown stated that all of the supplies for Middle Island were delivered by boats belonging to the Post Fishing Company in Sandusky, Ohio; that these boats stopped at Middle Island about twice a week to get white fish caught by Williams and to deliver supplies. He stated that if Monroe comes to the United States now he would, no doubt, come into Sandusky, Ohio, on one of the Post Fishing Company boats.

Mr. Brown further stated that the manager of the Post Fishing Company is a man by the name of Wholer, whose first name he thinks is John; that Wholer could not be relied upon, and he believed that if Agent contacted him, he, Wholer, would not give Agent any information, but instead would tell Coolie Monroe about the interview. Brown stated that he had noticed some shady things pulled around the Post Fishing Company warehouse during last summer. He did not discuss the nature of these "shady deals", however.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND BUREAU FIELD DIVISION at Toledo, Ohio, will continue further investigation. No leads are being set out herein, inasmuch as leads are being assigned in memorandum form.

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Post Office Box #2118  
Detroit, Michigan  
November 20, 1936

Superintendent  
United States Detention Farm  
Milan, Michigan

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Re: BREKID

This will acknowledge receipt of photo-  
static copies of letters dated November 12, 1936,  
written by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your insti-  
tution, to her mother and to Mr. and Mrs. Karpis.

Thanking you for your cooperation in  
this matter, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Herold E. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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